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# Town of Grantham NH

## Grantham Fire Department's

### 50th Year - March 2004



Front from left: Ronald Dunbar, Kenneth O. Barton, Arthur Carver, Edwin Phetteplace, Eugene Moulton  
Back row: Leonard Pillsbury, Mark Traegde, Sr., Arthur Smith, Jr., Everett Phetteplace, Maurice Reney, Francis Mutney, Deane Barton, Clifford Barber

## *2003 Annual Town Report*



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TOWN OF GRANTHAM



TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

March 23, 2004

Please be advised that there are several corrections that need to be made to the 2003 Town Report. Articles 1-3 were inadvertently omitted from the March 11, 2003 Town Meeting minutes, Peter Burling's name is misspelled on page 99 and Articles 5-7 were omitted from the School minutes.

I am including copies of the omissions to be placed with the 2003 Town Report.

Thank you.

Rita Eigenbrode  
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

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Articles 1 through 3 will be acted upon by official ballot vote and 4 through 18 will be open for discussion, debate and town meeting vote from the floor.

**ARTICLE 1:** To choose by ballot and major vote for the ensuing years as enumerated:

*Selectman*

Harold Haddock, Jr.                      3 years - 420 votes

*Planning Board*

Carl D Hanson                              3 years- 276 votes

Mary Hutchins                              3 years- 232 votes

*Library Trustee*

John B Trethaway                        3 years-474 votes

Patrick O'Bryan                            3 years- 8 votes

*Trustee of Trust Funds*

Constance B Howard                      3 years-486 votes

*Cemetery Trustee*

Dennis W Howard                        3 years-484 votes

**ARTICLE 2:** “Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Grantham Zoning Ordinance as follows:”

(1) To create a telecommunications tower overlay area in a portion of the rural/residential district in a less densely populated portion of North Grantham along Interstate 89; (2) to add more complete conditions for placement of towers; (3) and to include all towers under the Special Exception category.

*Rationale: The proposed revision recognizes the need for more cellular telephone coverage in Grantham and in a manner to best preserve the scenic quality of Grantham. The towers in the overlay area could provide more seamless coverage with any towers permitted in the south part of Grantham and could provide added coverage to North Grantham, Olde Farms and Eastman.*

*(Recommended by Planning Board)*

Yes 398              No 1  
Passed by Official Ballot

**ARTICLE 3:** “Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Grantham Zoning Ordinance as follows:”

TO MODIFY THE PRESENT ORDINANCE UNDER SPECIAL EXCEPTION: “(e). Restaurants, excepting that drive-in, drive-through and take-out restaurants are prohibited.” BY ADDING: “However, take-out food services are permitted so long as they are subordinate and incidental to another business, and house in a structure associated with that business.”

***Rationale:** The modification recognizes that the demand for this type of service is growing and already exists in Grantham. Restaurants featuring drive-in or drive-through services and/or stand-alone take-out food services similar to those offered by chain restaurants would still NOT be permitted.*

*(Recommended by Planning Board)*

Yes 377      No 4  
Passed by Official Ballot

Article 4 passed as written with a vote of 36 Yes, and 33 No.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand dollars (\$15,000.00) to be added to the Special Education Expendable Trust, established at the School District Meeting on March 16, 1999, for the purposes of providing special education services in the district.

(Recommended by the School Board)

Warren Kimball made the motion to adopt Article 5 as written. Joy Gobin seconded.

There was discussion pertaining to out of district placements and the school's responsibility for educating those placements.

Warren Kimball made the motion to put the question to voting. Bruce St. Peter seconded.

Article 5 passed with a majority voice vote.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Grantham School District will vote to approve the cost item included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Grantham School Board and the Grantham Educational Association, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

Year	Estimated Increase
2003-2004	\$61,400.00 6%
2004-2005	\$56,105.00 5%

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty One Thousand Four Hundred dollars (61,400.00) for the 2003-2004 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year.

(Recommended by the School Board)

Fred Vogt made the motion to pass Article 6 as written. A second was made by Kelly Cornish.

Dr. Schnare presented the explanation for Article 6. There was much discussion regarding the % increase of salaries, the NEA and reasons for its creation.

Merle Schotanus moved to vote on the question. Dan McClory seconded.

Article 6 passed with a majority voice vote.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the School District will authorize the School Board to





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*The Board of Selectmen dedicates the 2003 Annual Report to:  
Past, Present & Future  
Members of the Grantham Volunteer Fire Department*

The Volunteer Fire Department was organized in March, 1954, with Arthur Carver as Fire Chief; Captain Maurice Reney; Lieutenant Mark Traegde; Secretary John Mohla; Treasurer Eugene Moulton. Members: John Tucker, Roger Descoteau, Edwin Phetteplace, Leon Mayo, David Reney, Peter Forest, Arnold Swensen, Joshua Dunbar, Leston Horton, Kenneth Barton, William Willis, Albert Wood, Lee Swensen, Alfred Holmes, Dudley Swensen, Francis Mutney, Mirrell Nutbrown, Fred Cote, Carol Hamilton, John Holmes, Sam Walker, Ed Hutchins, and Wilfred Hastings.

The Board of Selectmen extend a very special "Thank You" to these three individuals for their dedication to the Town of Grantham.



**Kenneth O. Barton**

Grantham's Fire Warden since '61  
Need a burn permit? He's the one!  
Many Town positions he held well  
Many Town Meetings he did yell.  
Here is a man who speaks his mind  
There's very few left of his kind.  
We extend our heartfelt "thank you"  
Acknowledgement that's well overdue!



**Donald Barton, Jr.**

Ever willing to go the extra mile  
Acting gruff but you see his smile.  
Grantham's always been his town  
Stop at the Fire House; he's sure to be around.  
Always accepting whatever life handed  
A man of his word, never leaving you stranded.  
Don, we sincerely appreciate all you do  
And extend a wholehearted Thank You!



**Carlton Benoit**

Starting out in Town politics  
In the Fire Department he found his niche.  
Outstanding Chief for a good long run  
Carly was there to get the job done.  
His family joined in and did their part  
Forever close to his heart.  
Thank you, Carly, for who you are  
The Fire Department's shining star!

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within Grantham for the input*

*Recognize any of these faces?*



On the Cover

*Grantham Fire Fighters  
Year 1960*

## TOWN INFORMATION

### **SELECTMEN'S OFFICE**

Phone: 863-6021 Fax: 863-4499  
E-mail: admin@granthamnh.net  
Website: www.granthamnh.net  
PO Box 276, 34 Dunbar Hill Road  
Monday—Thursday 7:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.  
CLOSED FRIDAY

### **TOWN CLERK / TAX COLLECTOR**

Phone: 863-5608 Fax: 863-4499  
PO Box 135, 34 Dunbar Hill Road  
E-mail: ClerkCollector@granthamnh.net  
Monday—Thursday 8:30 p.m.—4:30 p.m.  
Tuesday & Wednesday 7:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.  
CLOSED FRIDAY

### **ROAD AGENT**

Phone: 863-9156  
34 Dunbar Hill Road  
E-mail: Highway@granthamnh.net

### **POLICE**

Non-Emergency Phone: 863-3232  
Emergency: 911  
PO Box 704, 34 Dunbar Hill Road  
E-mail: Police@granthamnh.net

### **BURN PERMITS**

Fire Warden Kenneth Barton, Sr.  
Phone: 863-2907

### **FIRE**

Non-Emergency Phone: 863-5710  
Emergency: 911  
E-mail: FireDept@granthamnh.net

### **DUNBAR FREE LIBRARY**

Phone: 863-2172  
PO Box 1580 Main Street  
Monday & Wednesday 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.  
& 6:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m.  
Thursday 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.  
Friday 9:00 a.m.—Noon  
Saturday 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

### **TRANSFER STATION**

1150 Route 114  
Sunday 1:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.  
Monday 8:00 a.m.—Noon  
Wednesday 1:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.  
Friday 10:00 a.m.—Noon  
& 1:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.  
Saturday 8:00 a.m.—Noon

### **SCHOOLS**

#### **GRANTHAM VILLAGE SCHOOL**

Phone: 863-1681  
75 Learning Drive

#### **SAU #75**

Phone: 863-9689  
PO Box 287, Sawyer Brook Plaza

#### **LEBANON JR. HIGH SCHOOL**

Phone: 448-3056  
75 Bank Street—Lebanon

#### **LEBANON SR. HIGH SCHOOL**

Phone: 448-2055  
195 Hanover Street—Lebanon

### **OTHER**

#### **EASTMAN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**

Phone: 863-4240

#### **VILLAGE DISTRICT**

Phone: 863-6512

### **MEETING TIMES**

**Board of Selectmen**—2nd Wednesday @ 7:00 p.m.  
4th Wednesday @ 3:30 p.m.

Town Offices, 34 Dunbar Hill Road

**Planning Board**—1st Thursday @ 7:00 p.m.

Town Hall, Route 10 South

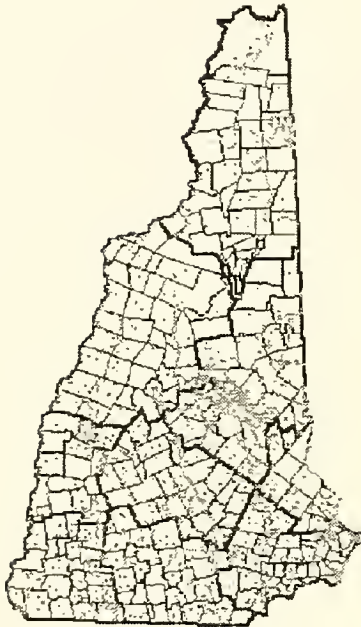
**Zoning Board of Adjustment**—By call of Chair

Town Hall, Route 10 South

**Conservation Commission**—3rd Monday @ 7:00 p.m.

Town Hall, Route 10 South





# Grantham, NH

Incorporated:	1761
Community Contact:	<b>TOWN OF GRANTHAM</b> Tina M. Stearns, Town Administrator PO Box 276 Grantham, NH 03753
Telephone:	(603) 863-6021
Fax:	(603) 863-4499
E-mail:	admin@granthamnh.net
Web Site:	www.granthamnh.net
City/Town Office Hours:	Monday through Thursday, 7 am - 5 pm, closed Friday
County:	Sullivan
Labor Market Area:	Hartford-Lebanon, VT-NH
Planning Commission:	Upper Valley/Lake Sunapee
Tourism Region:	Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee

**Demographics, 2000 Census:** From 1990 to 2000, Grantham experienced explosive growth, increasing by 73.8 percent, adding 920 residents for a total of 2,167. This was the third-highest percent increase among the incorporated cities and towns, falling only behind Windsor and Newfields. The median age is 46.0, 13th highest among the cities and towns, with 19.9 percent of the population under the age of 18 and 21.7 percent age 65 or older. The total number of households is 924, with an average size of 2.4 persons. Of those, 708 are family households, with an average size of 2.7 persons. As of April 1, 2000, there were 1,518 total housing units.

**Population density, 2002:** 82.0 persons per square mile of land area. Grantham contains 27.2 square miles of land area and 0.9 square miles of inland water area.

**Origin:** Named for Thomas Robinson, first Baron Grantham, friend of Governor Wentworth, an active supporter of American independence, and known as a diplomat in Europe. He was present at the negotiations leading to the 1748 signing of the Treaty of Aix-la-Chapelle that ended the War of Austrian Succession, of which the French and Indian War in the Americas were a side struggle. Later, the Baron was one of Great Britain's first postmaster-generals.



Sullivan County

**MUNICIPAL SERVICES**

City/Town Office Hours:  
M-Th 7-5 pm, Closed Friday

Type of Government	Selectmen
Annual Budget (2003)	\$1,493,223
Planning Board	Elected
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board
Zoning Ordinance	1990/03
Master Plan	1993
Capital Improvement Plan	No

Public Library Dunbar Free

**EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Police Department	Full-time
Fire Department	On Call
Town Fire Insurance Rating	9/9
Emergency Medical Service	Volunteer

Nearest Hospital:

New London Hospital, New London  
Distance: 16 Staffed Beds: 29

**PROPERTY TAX**

2002 Total Tax	\$21.00
2002 Equalization	69.5
2002 Full Value	\$15.21

2002 Property Tax:	Residential	97.1%
	Commercial	2.0%
	Other	0.9%

**UTILITIES**

Electric Supplier	PSNH; NH Electric Coop.
Natural Gas Supplier	None
Water Supplier	Village District of Eastman

Sanitation	Private septic
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	No
Curbside Trash Pickup	No
Mandatory Recycling Program	No

Telephone Company	Verizon
Cellular Telephone Access	Yes
Cable Television Access	Yes
High Speed Cable Internet Service	
Business Cable Internet Service	Yes
Residential Cable Internet Service	Yes

**HOUSING**

2001 Total Housing Units	1,578
2001 Single-Family Units	1,521
Building Permits Issued	28
2001 Multi-Family Units	30
Building Permits Issued	2
2001 Manufactured Housing Units	27
2000 Census Housing Costs	
Median Value, Owner-Occupied Housing	\$159,200
Median Gross Rent (monthly)	\$1,040

**DEMOGRAPHICS**

Total Population	Community	County
2001	2,231	40,951
2000	2,167	40,458
1990	1,247	38,592
1980	704	36,063
1970	366	30,949

**2000 Census Demographics**

Population by Gender		
Male	1,062	Female 1,105

Population by Age Group	
Under age 5	107
Age 5 to 19	342
Age 20 to 34	276
Age 35 to 54	667
Age 55 to 64	304
Age 65 and over	471
Median Age	46 years

Total Households	708	2.4 persons
Total Families	708	2.7 persons

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over	
High school graduate or higher	96.7%
Bachelor's degree or higher	51.2%

**ANNUAL INCOME, 1999**

(US CENSUS)

Per capita income	\$32,174
Median 4-person family income	\$69,271
Median household income	\$63,239

Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers	
Male	\$43,230
Female	\$34,773

Families below the poverty level	1.4%
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**TRANSPORTATION**

Road Access	Federal Routes	
	State Routes	10
Nearest Interstate, Exit		I-89, Exit 13
Distance		Local access

Railroad	No
Public Transportation	No

Nearest Airport	Newport
Runway	3,450 feet
Lighted? No	Navigational Aids? Yes

Nearest Commercial Airport	Lebanon
Distance	20 miles

**DISTANCE TO**

Manchester, NH	58 miles
Portland, ME	150 miles
Boston, MA	108 miles
New York City, NY	268 miles
Montreal, Quebec	202 miles

**EDUCATION/CHILD CARE FACILITIES**

Primary & Secondary	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1			
Grade Levels	K-6			
Total Enrollment	188			

If no schools, district students attend: **Lebanon Junior/Senior High School**

Distance: **14 miles**

Regional Career Technology Center(s): **Hartford Career & Tech Center, White River Jct. VT**

Region: **07**

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2003:

Total Facilities: **3**

Total Capacity: **114**

Nearest Community/Technical College: **Claremont**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Dartmouth; Colby-Sawyer; Lebanon**

LARGEST EMPLOYERS	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Yankee Barn Homes, Inc.	Home builders	45	1971
Eastman Community Association	Housing, development	23	1971
Cote & Reney	Lumber yard	16	

**LABOR FORCE**

Annual Average	1992	2002
Civilian labor force	615	765
Employed	585	740
Unemployed	30	25
Unemployment rate	4.9%	3.3%

**COMMUTING TO WORK**

(US CENSUS)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	77.9%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	11.2%
Public transportation	1.2%
Walked	0.9%
Other means	1.0%
Worked at home	7.8%

Mean Travel Time to Work

29.7 minutes

**EMPLOYMENT & WAGES**

2001 2002

Goods Producing		
Average Employment	92	99
Average Weekly Wage	\$593	\$622
Service Providing		
Average Employment	183	180
Average Weekly Wage	\$459	\$447
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	276	279
Average Weekly Wage	\$504	\$509
Government		
Average Employment	25	28
Average Weekly Wage	\$634	\$552
Total, Private plus Government		
Average Employment	300	307
Average Weekly Wage	\$515	\$513

n = indicates that data does not meet disclosure standards

**RECREATIONAL FACILITIES**

X	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
X	Golf Courses
X	Swimming: Indoor Facility
	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
X	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
	Museums
	Cinemas
	Performing Arts Facilities
	Tourist Attractions
X	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
X	Youth Sports: Baseball
X	Youth Sports: Soccer
	Youth Sports: Football
X	Youth Sports: Basketball
	Youth Sports: Hockey
	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
X	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
	Nearest Ski Area(s): <b>Snowhill at Eastman</b>
	Other: <b>Grantham indoor sports facility, camps</b>



## TOWN OFFICERS—YEAR 2003

<b>Moderator</b>	Zack Bryan	Walter Madore, Special
Merle Schotanus, 2004	David Negron	Robert Schwartz, Special
<b>Board of Selectmen</b>	Jeff Figley	Todd Lique, Special
Constance Jones, 2004	Susan Figley	C. Robert Howard, Special
William Hutchins, 2005	Stuart Gillespie	Mike Szelangowski, Special
Harold Haddock, Jr., 2006	Jane Underhill	Teresa Mastin, Secretary
<b>Town Administrator</b>	Morgan Figley	
Tina Stearns	<b>Fire Department</b>	<b>Recreation Department</b>
<b>Administrative Assistant</b>	Robert Seavey, Chief	Gary Broughall, Director
Sarah Barton	Doug Demers, Deputy	Troy Guerin, Asst. Director
<b>Town Clerk/Tax Collector</b>	Mike Benoit	<b>Reps to the General Court</b>
Rita Eigenbrode, 2004	Chris Palermo	Constance Jones
Cynthia Towle, Deputy	Bob Guyette	Peter Burling
<b>Treasurer</b>	Robin Palermo	<b>Rep to NH/VT Solid Waste</b>
Christopher Morris, 2004	<b>Fire Warden</b>	Arthur Magowan
<b>Building Committee</b>	Kenneth Barton Sr	Ed Jenik, Alternate
Bob Champagne	<b>Health Officer</b>	William Hutchins, Alternate
Bob Friday	Dr. Kenneth Kerwin, <i>Retired</i>	<b>Road Agent</b>
Mary Hutchins	Dr. David Frucht	Joseph Newcomb
Roger Woodworth	Charles McCarthy, Deputy	Jeff Hastings, Assistant
Bruce St. Peter	<b>Historical Society</b>	<b>School Board</b>
Bill Zimmerman	Allen Walker	Don Gobin, 2004
<b>Cemetery Trustees</b>	Barbara Mutney	Fred Vogt, 2005
T. Ed Buckman, 2004	Conrad Frey	Cynthia Bevin, 2005
Warren Kimball, 2005	Ella Reney	Jean Liepold, 2006
Dennis Howard, 2006	<b>Hogreeves</b>	Maureen Ransom, 2006
<b>Cemetery Sexton</b>	Jeremiah & Lauren Fountain	<b>SAU #75 Superintendent</b>
Warren Legacy	<b>Master Plan Committee</b>	Dr. Gordon Schnare
<b>Conservation Commission</b>	Kevin Carey	Kelly Cornish, Admin
Richard Hocker, 2006	Kristina Burgard	<b>Supervisors of the Check</b>
Mike Holdowsky, 2004	Alan Tanenbaum	Donna Stamper, 2008
Jessica Jansujwicz, 2004	Conrad Frey	JoAnn Purdy, 2004
Patricia Short, 2005	Connie Howard	Deborah Cheever, 2006
Andy Eastman, Alt., 2006	Patricia Short	<b>Town Archivist</b>
Adele Furdyna, Alt., 2004	Fred Vogt	Lea Frey, 2004
<b>Custodian</b>	Larry Haller	<b>Transfer Station</b>
Gary Broughall	Andy Anderson	Phil Currier, Attendant
<b>Dunbar Free Library Trustees</b>	Doug Demers	Linda Roberts, Attendant
Hope Miller, 2004	<b>Planning Board</b>	<b>Trustees of Trust Funds</b>
Donna Stamper, 2005	Carl Hanson, 2006	Conrad Frey, 2004
John Trethaway, 2006	Robert Barnes, 2004	Ted Short, 2005
Donald Kreis, 2004	Mike Hayward Jr., 2005	Connie Howard, 2006
Patrick O'Bryan, 2006	Mary Hutchins, 2006	<b>Welfare Official</b>
<b>Librarian</b>	Harold Haddock, Jr, Sel. Rep.	Board of Selectmen
Carla R. Boyington	Alan Tanenbaum, Alt., 2005	Town Administrator
B. Joey Holmes, Assistant	Donald Kreis, Alt., 2005	<b>Zoning Board of Adjustment</b>
<b>Emergency Mgmt. Director</b>	Michelle Brochu, Clerk	Conrad Frey, 2004
F. Robert Osgood	<b>Police Department</b>	Dick Mansfield, 2005
<b>Fence Viewers</b>	Russell Lary, Chief	John Clayton, 2005
Jonathan & Shannon Fox	Jerry Whitney, Deputy Chief	Peter Gardiner, 2006
<b>FAST Squad</b>	Glen Jenkins, Officer	Myron Cummings, Alt., 2004
Jill Davis	Massad Ayoob, Special	Margery Bostrom, Alt. 2006
		Sarah Barton, Clerk

## RIGHT-TO-KNOW LAW

### 1. What is the “Right-to-Know” Law, RSA 91-A?

It is New Hampshire’s statute which emphasizes that the business of the Town is the public’s business. It makes clear that, with very few exceptions, the public has access to Town records and meetings held in connection with Town Government.

### 2. Who does it cover?

All of us, whether we are elected officials, employees or volunteers serving on Boards of the Town of Grantham.

### 3. What does it cover?

It covers all “meetings.” A “meeting” occurs whenever a quorum of a Board, Committee or Subcommittee gathers and discusses or acts upon a matter over which that Board, Committee or Subcommittee has supervision, control, jurisdiction, or advisory power. The law also requires that the business of a Board be conducted at a meeting, rather than by telephone, E-mail, or private gathering of individuals.

### 4. If it is a meeting, what does that mean?

- A notice of the time and place of a meeting must be posted at least 24 hours in advance (excluding Sundays and legal holidays) in at least two (2) public places.
- The public is entitled to attend and may record or videotape the proceedings.
- All votes, with the very few exceptions itemized below, must be taken in open session and not by secret ballot.
- Minutes must be taken and made available to the public within 144 hours.

### 5. When can we hold a non-public session?

Rarely. The Right-to-Know Law lists certain limited situations which allow a Board to go into non-public session. Those situations are:

- Dismissal, promotion, or setting compensation for public employees, RSA 91-A:3, II (a).
- Consideration of the hiring of a public employee, RSA 91-A:3, II (b).
- Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person—however, this cannot be used to protect a person who is a member of your Board, Committee or

Subcommittee, RSA 91-A:3, II (c).

- Consideration of the purchase, sale, or lease of real or personal property, RSA 91-A:3, II (d).
- Discussion of pending or threatened (in writing) litigation, RSA 91-A:3, II (e).

### 6. How do we go into non-public session?

A motion must be made which specifically identifies the statutory category which is the reason for going into non-public session and then a roll call vote must be taken in which each member’s vote on the motion must be recorded.

### 7. If we go into non-public session, what then?

- Minutes must be taken just as you would in an open session.
- Decisions can be made in nonpublic session.
- You must stick to the subject which was the reason for going into the non-public session; if there is need to discuss other matters which discussion would be covered by a different exemption, you need to first come out of non-public session and then vote to go back in under that different exception. It is only in this way that a proper record can be prepared for public review.
- The minutes from the non-public session must be made public within 72 hours unless two-thirds of the members, while in non-public session, determine that the divulgence of the information likely would adversely effect the reputation of any person other than a member of the Board, Committee, or Subcommittee, or render the proposed action ineffective. Under those circumstances the Minutes may be withheld until those circumstances no longer apply. Action required to sequester.

### 8. Which Public Records are accessible?

The public has access to all records held by the Town except to the extent they may fall under one of the exemptions listed above.

### 9. How quickly do the records need to be supplied?

If the requested record cannot conveniently be made available immediately, there is a deadline of five (5) business days for complying with the request.

**10. If there is a question as to whether something is open to the public, what do I do?**

Consult with the Selectmen and they will get advice from Town Counsel, if necessary.

**11. In what format can the public demand that Town records be produced?**

Most records are available for photocopying but the Right-to-Know Law also extends the right to obtain computer disks of material already in the Town's computers. A reasonable charge can be made to cover the cost of providing the copies or disks. In no case, however, does a member of the public have the right to demand that the Town collect, search for, or arrange information that is not already pulled together for the Town's own purposes.

*This document is intended as a general outline of the "Right-to-Know" Law and for ease of use is somewhat simplified. If you have any questions, please contact the Board of Selectmen.*



## 2004 TOWN MEETING RULES

1. Non-voters who are not officers of the town may be allowed to address the meeting only if the town votes to permit it.
2. All voters will direct their remarks to the moderator. Whenever a voter wishes to speak, he or she will address the moderator and identify himself or herself.
3. Unless superseded by State law, reconsideration of a vote on any article should be brought up immediately after the vote has been declared. A vote on the issuance of bonds or notes over \$100,000 cannot be reconsidered at the same meeting. The town may also vote to restrict reconsideration of any other vote in the same manner.
4. The moderator will conduct a secret "yes-no" ballot vote when five voters make a written request prior to a voice or show of hands vote on any article open for discussion.
5. Any ruling by the moderator can be challenged. The moderator will conduct a secret "yes-no" ballot when seven or more voters question any non-ballot vote immediately after the vote is declared, and before any other business is conducted.
6. All proposed amendments to articles will be submitted in writing to the moderator prior to discussion of the amendment.



# TOWN OF GRANTHAM NEW HAMPSHIRE

## TOWN MEETING WARRANT YEAR 2004

SS. STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SULLIVAN COUNTY

To the inhabitants of the Town of Grantham, in Sullivan County, in the State of New Hampshire, *who are qualified to vote in town affairs:*

You are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Grantham will be held at the Grantham Village School Gymnasium, 75 Learning Drive on **Tuesday, March 9, 2004 at 10:00 a.m.** to act on the following subjects. Article 1 shall be by ballot at the polls which shall be open from 10:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. The remaining articles shall be considered during the business meeting beginning at 10:00 a.m.

**ARTICLE 1:** To choose by ballot and major vote for the ensuing years as enumerated:

Selectmen	3 years
Moderator	2 years
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	3 years
Trustee of Trust Funds	3 years
Planning Board	3 years
Library Trustee	3 years
Library Trustee	3 years
Cemetery Trustee	3 years
Supervisor of the Checklist	6 years

**ARTICLE 2:** "To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,528,000 (gross budget) for the construction and original equipping of a new Grantham Town Building, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$1,270,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; furthermore, to authorize the withdrawal of \$258,000 from the Municipal Building Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose.

*2/3 Majority Ballot Vote Required  
Special Warrant Article  
The Selectmen recommend this article*

**ARTICLE 3:** "To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$85,000** to purchase two parcels of property known as Grantham Tax Map 233 Lot 4, Dunbar Hill Road and Grantham Tax Map 233 Lot 6, Route 10 South with a combined acreage of 8.4 acres and authorize the use of the June 30 fund balance in that amount for this purpose.

*(Majority vote required)  
The Selectmen recommend this article*

**ARTICLE 4:** "To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (**\$150,000**) to purchase a new Fire Department Tanker Truck and authorize the withdrawal of one hundred thousand dollars (**\$100,000**) from the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The balance of up to fifty thousand dollars (**\$50,000**) is to come from taxation."

*(Majority vote required)  
The Selectmen recommend this article*

**ARTICLE 5:** "To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (**\$20,000**) to purchase a new Police Department Cruiser and authorize the withdrawal of ten thousand dollars (**\$10,000**) from the Police Vehicles Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The balance of up to ten thousand dollars (**\$10,000**) is to come from taxation."

*(Majority vote required)  
The Selectmen recommend this article*

**ARTICLE 6:** "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (**\$15,000**) to establish a paid part-time Recreation Director.

*(Majority vote required)  
The Selectmen recommend this article*

**ARTICLE 7:** "To see if the town will vote to accept as a Class V highway a right-of-way, commonly known as Yankee Barn Road, beginning at the northerly end of said Yankee Barn Road and extending in a northerly direction for approximately twelve hundred feet (1,200'), being more specifically shown on a plan entitled "Easement and Right of Way Plat for Yankee Barn Road Realty Trust", prepared by Hathorn Surveys, Inc., which plan is dated January 14, 2002 and being Project No. 164702, which acceptance will be effective upon completion of improvements to the aforesaid right-of-way at the expense of Yankee Barn Road Realty Trust, its successors and assigns, in

accordance with applicable Town of Grantham road specifications for Class V highways.”

*(Majority vote required)*  
*The Selectmen recommend this article*

**ARTICLE 8:** “To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$626,413** to defray the cost of **General Government** operations.”

Account Title	Budget 2003/2004	Proposed 2004/2005
Selectmen’s Office.....	94,676	95,575
Town Clerk/Tax Collector.....	64,428	75,603
Financial Administration .....	48,500	49,200
Tax Maps/Assessing .....	25,000	115,000
Legal .....	12,000	8,000
Personnel Administration.....	144,970	198,120
Planning Board.....	4,175	6,075
Zoning Board of Adjustment .....	2,770	2,260
General Government Buildings .....	61,040	45,700
Cemeteries.....	9,900	12,000
Insurance .....	14,750	16,800
Regional Associations.....	2,080	2,080
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>484,289</b>	<b>626,413</b>

*(Majority vote required)*  
*The Selectmen recommend this article*

**ARTICLE 9:** “To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of **\$414,839** to defray the cost of **Public Safety** operations.”

Account Title	Budget 2003/2004	Proposed 2004/2005
Police Department.....	268,156	286,990
FAST Squad.....	38,460	49,624
Fire Department .....	49,775	67,850
Forest Fire .....	375	375
Building Inspection.....	10,000	10,000
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>376,766</b>	<b>414,839</b>

*(Majority vote required)*  
*The Selectmen recommend this article*



**ARTICLE 10:** "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$442,690 to defray the cost of **Public Works** operation."

Account Title	Budget 2003/2004	Proposed 2004/2005
Highway Administration.....	127,910	133,590
Highway Maintenance .....	86,000	74,300
Street Lights .....	2,400	2,400
Solid Waste Collection .....	89,440	86,600
Waste Disposal.....	145,000	137,800
Landfill Monitoring .....	10,000	8,000
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>460,750</b>	<b>442,690</b>

*(Majority vote required)*  
*The Selectmen recommend this article*

**ARTICLE 11:** "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,546 to defray the cost of **Health and Welfare** operations."

Account Title	Budget 2003/2004	Proposed 2004/2005
Boarding Animals .....	300	300
Community Services.....	9,988	10,240
Town General Assistance .....	5,000	5,000
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>15,288</b>	<b>15,546</b>

*(Majority vote required)*  
*The Selectmen recommend this article*

**ARTICLE 12:** "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$107,104 for **Culture and Recreation**."

Account Title	Budget 2003/2004	Proposed 2004/2005
Recreation .....	6,000	6,000
Dunbar Free Library .....	102,951	98,604
Town Archives.....	500	500
Old Home Day.....	2,000	2,000

TOTAL ..... 111,451 ..... 107,104

*(Majority vote required)*  
*The Selectmen recommend this article*

**ARTICLE 13:** “To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$78,950** for **Conservation, Bond Notes, Interest and Tax Anticipation Notes.**”

<u>Account Title</u>	<u>Budget 2003/2004</u>	<u>Proposed 2004/2005</u>
Conservation Commission .....	1,100 .....	800
Bond Interest .....	16,000 .....	8,050
Bond Payment .....	70,000 .....	70,000
Tax Anticipation Notes Interest .....	100 .....	100
TOTAL .....	87,200 .....	78,950

*(Majority vote required)*  
*The Selectmen recommend this article*

**ARTICLE 14:** “To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$50,000** to be placed in previously established **Capital Reserve Funds.**”

<u>Account Title</u>	<u>Budget 2003/2004</u>	<u>Proposed 2004/2005</u>
Fire Department Capital Reserve .....	35,000 .....	0
Mowers Capital Reserve .....	1,500 .....	1,500
Highway Dept. Equipment Cap Reserve .....	30,000 .....	30,000
Municipal Building Capital Reserve .....	125,000 .....	0
Office Computers Capital Reserve .....	1,500 .....	1,500
Transfer Station Equipment .....	10,000 .....	10,000
Police Vehicles Capital Reserve .....	10,000 .....	0
Police Radio Console Capital Reserve .....	0 .....	7,000
TOTAL .....	213,000 .....	50,000

*(Majority vote required)*  
*The Selectmen recommend this article*

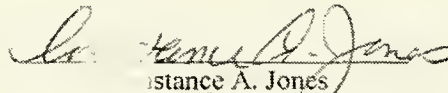
**ARTICLE 15:** To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of **Ball Field Construction** and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in this fund. This sum to come from fund balance (surplus) and no amount to be raised from taxation.

*This represents the amount in the Non-Lapsing Fund created per Town Meeting 2001 for Ball Field Construction with an expiration date of June 30, 2004.*

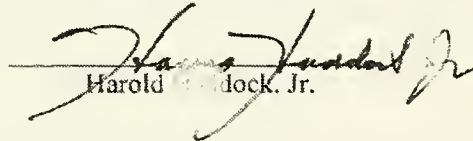
*(Majority vote required)  
The Selectmen recommend this article*

**ARTICLE 16:** "To hear the reports of agents, officers, and committees heretofore chosen, to pass any vote relating thereto, and to transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting."

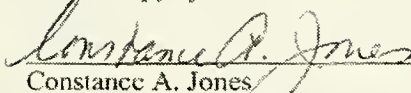
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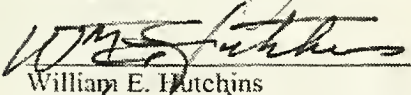
  
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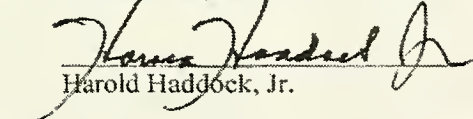
  
William E. Hutchins

  
Harold Haddock, Jr.

*A True Copy of Warrant*

  
Constance A. Jones

  
William E. Hutchins

  
Harold Haddock, Jr.



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**BUDGET OF THE TOWN/CITY**OF: GRANTHAM

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, \_\_\_\_\_ to December 31, \_\_\_\_\_

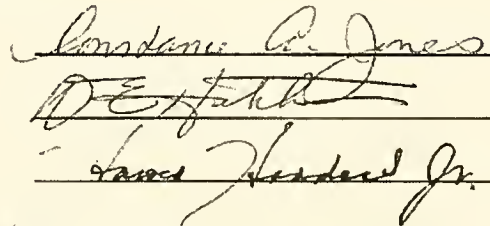
or Fiscal Year From July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005**IMPORTANT:**

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the entire budget in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below.

This is to certify that this budget was posted with the warrant on the (date) February 12, 2004.**GOVERNING BODY (SELECTMEN)**

Please sign in ink.

Constance A. JonesWilliam E. HutchinsHarold Haddock, Jr.**THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT**

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION  
COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION  
MUNICIPAL FINANCE BUREAU  
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487  
(603)271-3397

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Budget - Town/City of GRANTHAMFY 04/05

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Fiscal Year (02/03)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4130-4139	Executive		94,676	78,583	97,575	
4140-4149	Election,Reg.& Vital Statistics		64,428	58,988	75,603	
4150-4151	Financial Administration		48,500	46,153	49,200	
4152	Revaluation of Property		25,000	21,616	115,000	
4153	Legal Expense		12,000	4,163	8,000	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration		144,970	118,389	198,120	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning		6,945	2,329	8,335	
4194	General Government Buildings		61,040	55,573	45,700	
4195	Cemeteries		9,900	6,334	12,000	
4196	Insurance		14,750	12,782	16,800	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.		2,080	2,080	2,080	
4199	Other General Government					
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4210-4214	Police		268,156	225,353	286,990	
4215-4219	Ambulance		38,460	15,210	49,624	
4220-4229	Fire		50,150	39,159	68,225	
4240-4249	Building Inspection		10,000	1,690	10,000	
4290-4298	Emergency Management					
4299	Other (Incl. Communications)					
<b>AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4301-4309	Airport Operations					
<b>HIGHWAYS &amp; STREETS</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4311	Administration		127,910	121,524	133,590	
4312	Highways & Streets		86,000	76,939	74,300	
4313	Bridges					
4316	Street Lighting		2,400	2,354	2,400	
4319	Other					
<b>SANITATION</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4321	Administration					
4323	Solid Waste Collection		89,440	113,402	86,600	
4324	Solid Waste Disposal		145,000	122,920	137,800	
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up		10,000	4,147	8,000	
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other					

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<b>WATER DISTRIBUTION &amp; TREATMENT</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4331	Administration					
4332	Water Services					
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv. & Other					
<b>ELECTRIC</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation					
4353	Purchase Costs					
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance					
4359	Other Electric Costs					
<b>HEALTH</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4411	Administration					
4414	Pest Control		300	50	300	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other		9,988	9,988	10,246	
<b>WELFARE</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.		5,000	1,059	5,000	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts					
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other					
<b>CULTURE &amp; RECREATION</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		6,000	5,897	6,000	
4550-4559	Library		102,951	100,399	98,604	
4583	Patriotic Purposes		2,000	1,881	2,000	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation		500	404	500	
<b>CONSERVATION</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4611-4612	Admin. & Purch. of Nat. Resources		1,100	691	800	
4619	Other Conservation					
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING					
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT					
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes		70,000	70,000	70,000	
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes		16,600	10,150	8,050	
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes		100		100	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service					



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<b>CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4901	Land					
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment		100,000	87,137		
4903	Buildings					
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.					
<b>OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4912	To Special Revenue Fund					
4913	To Capital Projects Fund					
4914	To Enterprise Fund					
	Sewer-					
	Water-					
	Electric-					
	Airport-					
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund		193,000	193,000	50,000	
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917					
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds					
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds					
4919	To Agency Funds					
<b>SUBTOTAL 1</b>			1,819,344	1,610,344	1,737,542	

If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total for the ensuing year.

Acct. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount	Acct. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount

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Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3,VI, as appropriations: 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriation to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trust funds; 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
4903	TOWN BUILDING	2			\$1,528,000	
4589	HISTORICAL SOCIETY - PETITIONED		5,000	5,000		
SUBTOTAL 2 RECOMMENDED			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	\$1,528,000	XXXXXXXXXX

**\*\*INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES\*\***

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". Individual warrant articles might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
4901	LAND PURCHASE	3			\$85,000	
4902	FIRE DEPARTMENT TANKER	4			\$150,000	
4902	POLICE DEPARTMENT CRUISER	5			\$20,000	
4520	PART-TIME RECREATION DIRECTOR	6			\$15,000	
4915	BALL FIELD CAPITAL RESERVE FUND	15			\$25,000	
4915	TRANSFER STATION CAP RESERVE		10,000	10,000		
4915	POLICE VEHICLES CAP RESERVE		10,000	10,000		
SUBTOTAL 3 RECOMMENDED			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	\$295,000	XXXXXXXXXX

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Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year 2003/04	Actual Revenues Fiscal Year 2002/03	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year 2004/05
<b>TAXES</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
3120	Land Use Change Taxes		15,000	4,100	9,000
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Timber Taxes			1,819	1,500
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes			31,500	21,000
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		10,000	9,593	8,500
	Inventory Penalties				
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)		100	0	100
<b>LICENSES, PERMITS &amp; FEES</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
3210	Business Licenses & Permits				
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		475,000	509,670	500,000
3230	Building Permits		1,500	1,695	2,500
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		5,000	8,478	5,000
3311-3319	<b>FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT</b>				
<b>FROM STATE</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
3351	Shared Revenues		69,015	74,402	72,361
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution				
3353	Highway Block Grant		48,792	47,698	48,530
3354	Water Pollution Grant				
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement				
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax) Landfill Grant			44,928	15,000
3379	<b>FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS</b>				
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
3401-3406	Income from Departments		40,000	52,840	47,000
3409	Other Charges				
<b>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		50,000	17,782	5,000
3502	Interest on Investments		25,000	31,413	30,000
3503-3509	Other		12,200	10,073	14,500



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Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year 2003/04	Actual Revenues Fiscal Year 2002/03	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year 2004/05
<b>INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3912	From Special Revenue Funds				
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)				
	Water - (Offset)				
	Electric - (Offset)				
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds		65,000	65,000	360,000
3916	From Trust & Agency Funds				
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes				1,270,000
	Amount VOTED From F/B ("Surplus")		173,000	173,000	85,000
	Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes			109,449	
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE &amp; CREDITS</b>			1,007,107	1,193,440	2,494,991

**\*\*BUDGET SUMMARY\*\***

	Prior Year	Ensuing Year
SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended (from page 4)	1,819,344	1,737,542
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	5,000	1,528,000
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	20,000	295,000
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	1,844,344	3,560,542
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	-1,007,107	-2,494,991
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	837,237	1,065,551

### Town Building Committee Report

Acting on a directive from the 2003 Town Meeting, the Board of Selectmen appointed a citizen's committee to study the overall municipal building needs of the Town and to develop a plan to meet those needs, hopefully to be presented at the 2004 Annual Town Meeting.

Your committee, made up of your Grantham neighbors, has worked very diligently at this task, meeting almost weekly since last May, with much additional work accomplished by individual members and sub-committees between the weekly meetings. The Committee early on determined that the facility should be affordable, multi-functional and expandable. The citizens Building Committee inspected all current municipal facilities and work stations, interviewed most municipal employees and all department heads concluding that the current facilities are totally inadequate and, in many instances, shamefully decrepit, unhealthy, inefficient and pose substantial potential liability issues for the town:

- The old wood frame former school house (circa 1857) is functionally obsolete as a municipal facility.
- Totally inadequate space for staff, Town boards and committees and the public.
- No privacy for Town employees or the public.
- Lacks meeting room(s) for Town boards/committees.
- Improper storage for important town records.
- No "Town Hall" for public hearings, large meetings, (Methodist Church is too small for many meetings and community functions, often conflicts with other scheduled events, minimal parking).
- The Police Station is totally inadequate...too small with inadequate facilities and located in a damp basement area.
- The School Administration leases costly commercial office space.
- Municipal and Police facilities fail to meet present-day building codes and professional association facilities codes.
- Limited parking and access for all functions.

### Conclusion

The Town has more than tripled in residents from 704 in 1980 to 2,167 in 2000 but its infrastructure has not kept pace. We have simply outgrown our municipal facilities that are both functionally obsolete and too small. The need for new and larger facilities is very acute and long overdue. The existing building will not self-improve and it would be unwise to put any more money into it. A new Grantham Town Building is an essential necessity.

### The Proposed Grantham Town Building

Your citizens committee developed plans for a simple wood building, one in keeping with the character of the Town. Recently constructed town buildings in similar NH communities were reviewed by the committee. The first floor of the proposed building will house the municipal offices and the Police Station and the lower level will house the School Administration and a "Town Hall" for various municipal and community functions and provide ample off-street parking and proper space for elections/voting and most Town Meetings. Cognizant of the defeat of prior proposals to expand the municipal building and to construct a separate Police Station, the Building Committee analyzed prior opposition, spoke with a number of townspeople, and conducted a well-advertised public hearing to share progress on the project and to solicit reactions, ideas, and suggestions. Once the Building Committee incorporated these suggestions and was satisfied with the preliminary floor plans, several architects were interviewed and Church and Barrett of White River Junction was hired to prepare architectural drawings and preliminary cost estimates for presentation at Town Meeting. Two additional public

hearings and the pre-Town Meeting budget hearing were/or will be held (December, January, February) during which the project was explained and public comments and ideas were received. An important aspect of this proposal is that the local citizens committee developed the preliminary floor plans after due consultation with town officials and employees and then hired an architect to develop the plans further and in conformity with all applicable codes and legal requirements. The project architect is also a selectman in his home town of Fairlee, VT and very conscious of the need to conserve tax dollars while providing the Town with a good Town Building.

### The Site

The site for a Town Building is a 100+ year decision. The Building Committee investigated and personally inspected several potential sites and unanimously selected a 8.4 acre site on Route 10, located near the Post Office, Fire Station and School. The site is ideal and will add substantially to the Town Center and to the character of the town. Through creative financing, involving \$85,000 for the site plus the swap of 10+/- acres of Town-owned property on Route 114, an overall value fair to both the Town and the owners, Mr. & Mrs. Reginald Field, has been agreed to. This is prime centrally-located property and an ideal location for our Town Building. The Committee was pleased that it was available.

### Finances

The Building Committee recommends that a 20-year bond issue (similar to a home mortgage) be utilized to fund the project, with the costs spread out over the 20 years. Thus, present users as well as future residents will help to pay for the building. With bond interest rates at their lowest level in 50 years, this is an extremely favorable time to sell municipal bonds. The Town's existing debt service (landfill cap) and the Village School addition debt service will be retired just about the time the new debt service on the proposed Grantham Town Building begins. Also, the School Administration will no longer be paying out \$12,000/year for leasing commercial office space. These factors combine to minimize the impact of the proposed building on the tax rate. The preliminary cost estimate for the proposed building is \$1.6million. This is total project costs, including site acquisition/development, building construction, furnishings, architectural/engineering fees. The Building Committee is in negotiations with key building supply and mechanical system vendors to secure discounted materials and every effort will continue to be made to bring the project in at or below the preliminary cost estimate.

A 20-year bond issue of approximately \$1.27million will be required after transfer of available funds from the Municipal Building Capital Reserve account: a 20-year \$1.27million bond issue will cost annually:

Average Cost for a House Assessed at \$150,000 = \$55.50/year

Average Cost for a House Assessed at \$250,000 = \$92.50/year

However, the actual tax impact will be even less as the school administration will no longer lease office space and the town budget will not include a sum of \$125,000 for Municipal Building Capital Reserve.

### Next Steps

If the Town votes in favor of the project and the bond issue, the architect will prepare construction drawings/specifications for bidding this coming summer. The Selectmen will sell municipal bonds, construction will begin during the summer or fall of 2004 and completion/occupancy could be expected during 2005 calendar year.



### Summary

The citizens' Town Building Committee has conducted near-weekly meetings since last May, has responded to the wishes of the 2003 Town Meeting, has diligently reviewed and assessed the facilities needs of the Town, communicated at length with Town officials and employees, examined recently-completed town facilities in similar communities, and kept the community apprised of progress and developments relative to the project.

It is our strongest recommendation that the Town act favorably on the approval of the proposed Grantham Town Building and the attendant bond issue. The need for modern and larger facilities is great, very well documented and, we hope, generally understood. The time is right. Municipal bond interest rates are extremely low; the costs of the project can be spread out over 20 years; town and school debt service will be retired at about or shortly after the new bond debt service begins; the impact on the tax rate will be minimal. We have an excellent site, one that will be very convenient and useable for the citizens for years to come and that will enhance the Town Center. The design and construction of the building is very functional yet modest and conservative, with no frills or non-essential elements. Bringing the municipal administration, school administration and Police department together under one roof will, inevitably, lead to greater coordination and efficiency and enhance overall service to the community for many years to come.

This project has the unanimous support of the Board of Selectmen, the School Board, and the Building Committee. We feel that our Committee has been responsive to you, our fellow citizens, and to the 2003 Town Meeting directive.

Respectfully submitted,

### Town Building Committee

Bob Champagne, Chair (May-November)

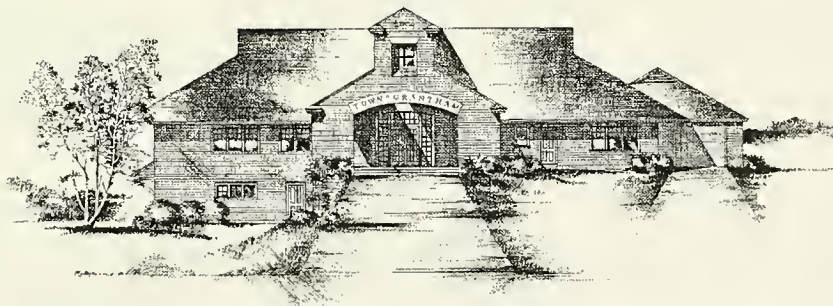
Bob Friday, Chair (November-Present)

Mary Hutchins

Roger Woodworth

Bruce St. Peter

Bill Zimmerman



PROPOSED  
GRANTHAM TOWN BUILDING  
GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

CHURCH & DANFETT ARCHITECTS  
WHITE RIVER JUNCTION, VERMONT  
JANUARY 2004

## 2003 Summary of Valuation—MS1

VALUE OF LAND ONLY	<u>ACRES</u>	<u>VALUATION</u>
Current Use (at Current Use Values)	8.465	\$ 463,689
Residential	6,991	51,809,759
Commercial/Industrial	256	1,519,070
Total of Taxable Land	15.712	\$ 53,792,518
Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable	1,108	( 3,825,400)
VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY		
Residential		\$197,731,900
Manufactured Housing		397,000
Commercial/Industrial		4,289,120
Total of Taxable Buildings		\$202,418,020
Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable		( 4,800,200)
Public Utilities		\$ 1,828,051
<b>VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS</b>		<b>\$258,038,589</b>
Elderly Exemption		\$ 110,000
1 @ \$15,000		
1 @ \$20,000		
3 @ \$25,000		
Disabled Exemption (1)		\$ 179,900
Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions		\$ 289,900
<b>NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE TAX RATE FOR MUNICIPAL, COUNTY &amp; LOCAL EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED</b>		<b>\$257,748,689</b>
<i>Less Public Utilities</i>		<i>1,828,051</i>
<i>PSNH - \$1,789,530</i>		
<i>NH Electric Coop - \$38,521</i>		
<b>NET VALUATION WITHOUT UTILITIES ON WHICH TAX RATE FOR STATE EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED</b>		<b>\$255,920,638</b>

TOWN OF GRANTHAM  
TOWN MEETING  
*MARCH 11, 2003*

SS. STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SULLIVAN COUNTY

Moderator Merle Schotanus called to order the 227<sup>th</sup> Annual Grantham Town Meeting at 10:00 A.M. He introduced Pastor Ron Bruce who gave the invocation. Before he offered the invocation Pastor Bruce said he wanted to take a moment for silent reflection on what is going on today in the world. In particular he asked that we remember the men and women in the military services that went before us and gave us the opportunities to stand here, as we do today, and those who are ready to do that again.

The Moderator then introduced the combined Color Guard of the Cub Scouts, Troop 276 and Brownies, Troop 2060 of Grantham to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

In welcoming first time Town Meeting participants, Moderator Schotanus commented that it is very important that we recognize new residents for being interested in our form of government, which is democracy, as we know it in it's purest form. Democracy is a messy business but in order to make it work we have to be involved.

The Moderator directed attention to the cover of the 2002 Grantham Town Report and the picture of the Town Seal that was approved by the voters of Grantham at Town Meeting last year. The Town Report is being dedicated to the Grantham Historical Society. Selectman Jones said the Board of Selectmen would like to take this opportunity to thank the current and past members of the Historical Society for the effort put forth in preserving the Town's history. There are several projects that the Society is working on, such as the preservation and restoration of the Grantham Militia flag, the design of a commemorative seal and the development of an education pamphlet to place in the new information building at the I-89 rest area. This worthwhile endeavor is headed up by Ella Reney and includes the Historical Society of Grantham, Croydon and Springfield. The citizens of Grantham are urged to get involved and support the Grantham Historical Society in every way possible.

Moderator Schotanus, stating that the meeting having been properly warranted as it is certified on pages 18 and 19 in the Town Report and by the authority vested in him by the laws of the State of New Hampshire declare the 227<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Town of Grantham officially open for business. He added that the polls are officially open as of now and will remain open until 7:00 P.M. this evening for the purpose of ballot voting on articles 1 through 3.

At this time, the Moderator recognized the School Moderator Pro Tem, Pam Hanson to make any announcement she might have regarding the Grantham School District. Ms. Hanson stated that the School District meeting was held last Thursday, March 6, 2003 and today you are invited to vote on article 1 which is to choose by ballot a moderator, a clerk and a treasurer, each to serve one year and two members of the school board to serve 3 years each.

The Moderator introduced the Town Clerk, Rita Eigenbrode; the Town Administrator, Tina Stearns; the Selectmen: Chairman Michael Hayward, Sr., William Hutchins, and Constance Jones. Manning the camera,



Chief of Police Russell Lary. The Moderator then introduced Piper Scalabrin, School District Clerk and the three Supervisors of the Checklist: Deborah Cheever, Donna Stamper and Joann Purdy. The appointed ballot clerks are Connie Howard, Sarah Barton, Sandy Palermo and Laurie McClory.

The Moderator stated that on page 9, in this years Town Report, are the proposed rules for the conduct of this meeting. He called for a motion to adopt the rules of the meeting and if adopted to direct the clerk to make them a permanent part the meeting record. It was moved and seconded and adopted by unanimous voice vote.

### *2002 Town Meeting Rules*

1. Non-voters who are not officers of the town may be allowed to address the meeting only if the town votes to permit it.
2. All voters will direct their remarks to the moderator. Whenever a voter wishes to speak, he or she will address the moderator and identify himself or herself.
3. Unless superseded by State law, reconsideration of a vote on any article should be brought up immediately after the vote has been declared. A vote on the issuance of bonds or notes over \$100,000 cannot be reconsidered at the same meeting. The town may also vote to restrict reconsideration of any other vote in the same manner.
4. The moderator will conduct a secret "yes-no" ballot vote when five voters make a written request prior to a voice or show of hands vote on any article open for discussion.
5. Any ruling by the moderator can be challenged. The moderator will conduct a secret "yes-no" ballot when seven or more voters question any non-ballot vote immediately after the vote is declared, and before any other business is conducted.
6. All proposed amendments to articles will be submitted in writing to the moderator prior to discussion of the amendment.

The Moderator stated that articles 1 through 3 will be acted on by official ballot. Articles 4 through 18 will be open for discussion, debate and voted on. Article 4 requires 2 votes. The first vote is procedural. The reason for this vote is because article 5 proposes a bond issue of over \$100,000 and by law must be taken up before any other article, except voting for officers and zoning changes. The Moderator recognized Connie Howard for a procedural motion. She moved, in accordance with the provisions of RSA 33:8-a, II, that the Town Meeting act on article 4 in the sequence in which it appears on the warrant. It was seconded by Warren Kimball. Speaking to her motion Connie Howard said, this makes it legal for us to act on the motion pertaining to this article at this time.

### *Unanimous Voice Vote in the Affirmative*

**ARTICLE 4:** (Petitioned by 25 Registered Voters) It was moved and seconded "To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for the use of the Grantham Historical Society, restoring the sums raised at the 1992-1993 town meetings, but never paid to the Society."

*By Petition*

*Majority Ballot Vote Required*

Moderator Schotanus noted an error underneath article 4. As written it reads *Majority Ballot Vote Required*. A ballot vote is not required. Moderator Schotanus recognized Ella Reney to speak for this article and she explained that in the fall of 1991 the Grantham Historical Society was organized. Money was appropriated for the Society in the next two town meetings. She thought these funds were going into a capital reserve fund. However, they went into the general fund and the Historical Society never mentioned to take it out. Ella went on to describe projects that the Historical Society members are working on, including the restoration of the historic Grantham Militia flag.

*Unanimous Voice Vote in the Affirmative*

**ARTICLE 5:** It was moved and seconded "To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,100,000 (gross budget) for the construction of the Police Department Facility and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$1,100,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon."

*2/3 Majority Ballot Vote Required  
Special Warrant Article  
The Selectmen recommend this article*

Selectman Hutchins spoke for this article. In 1999 we were brought information that our town facilities were somewhat inadequate. An engineering survey done on the Town Offices and the Police Department showed that codes were violated, the biggest violator being the Police Department. The Board, having considered several options, endorses the plan before you. The plan contains an initial cost study and is not the finalized plan and could cost less since we have already come across some cost reductions.

Chief Lary was recognized and commented that he was glad to see so many citizens turn out for this Meeting. He explained that the Town Administration and Police Department have been working on changes for years, including having a building committee in 1999, and feels that we have done research. We need a new facility because there is only 879 usable square feet in the existing police station. Physical contact between police officer and detainee is dangerously possible because there is a lack of space for adequate control. The storage of records is in an area that is compromised by moisture. The entry to the police department is not handicapped accessible. There is enough crime in Grantham to warrant this plan since if you have a few crimes a year you still have a situation that needs a facility to house those problems. A police station should be located where is easy access for public, easy to get to. It is not easy to find the police station where it is now and it is not easily accessible. Chief Lary referenced the original Master Plan's recommendation that the Police Station should go next to the Fire Station. It is easily accessible, conveniently located, has plenty of parking and is on Town land. Chief Lary invited questions and comments on the article. Alan Briere read a statement that was in support of the proposed police facility and which has been made part of the Town Clerk's records.

It was moved and seconded to close discussion and the motion passed by majority voice vote. The Moderator declared a recess to allow for voting on article 5.

*Defeated by 2/3 Ballot Vote 334 Votes Cast 101 Yes 233 No*

**ARTICLE 6:** It was moved and seconded "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$494,289** to defray the cost of **General Government** operations."

<b>Account Title</b>	<b>Proposed 03/04</b>
Selectmen's Office	94,676
Town Clerk / Tax Collector	64,428
Financial Administration	48,500
Tax Maps / Assessing	35,000
Legal	12,000
Personnel Administration	144,970
Planning Board	4,175
Zoning Board of Adjustment	2,770
General Gov't Buildings	61,040
Cemeteries	9,900q
Insurance	14,750
Regional Associations	2,080
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>494,289</b>

*(Majority vote required)*  
*The Selectmen recommend this article*

Selectman Jones spoke to the article and pointed out that as part of tax maps and assessing the Town will be hiring a part time building inspector for \$10,000. Under personnel administration health insurance premiums have gone up but enrollment is down which explains the decrease. The Planning Board increase is due to working on the Master Plan. Our property insurance is up since we switched insurance carriers and were reassessed. There was a 25% increase in the building values. Phil Schaefer noted that the amount stated in the article was \$10,000 higher than shown in the MS-6 Budget of the Town of Grantham. Administrator Stearns stated that the \$10,000 was for building inspection and we have the right to include that with our tax maps and assessing line item. Myron Cummings voiced concern that the Town was not keeping up with property assessments and he asked why. Administrator Stearns said that the Town was doing all that it could but it has been very common in the past two years that the assessments have been half of what houses are selling for due to market conditions. As noted before, the Town is going to hire an assessor and will bring the assessments up to where they should be.

*Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote*



**ARTICLE 7:** It was moved and seconded "To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of **\$339,766** to defray the cost of **Public Safety** operations."

Account Title	Proposed 03/04
Police Department	268,156
FAST Squad	21,460
Fire Department	49,775
Forest Fire	375
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>339,766</b>

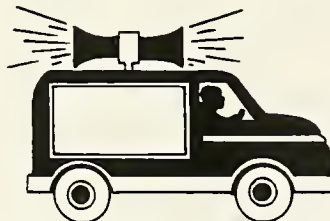
*(Majority vote required)  
The Selectmen recommend this article*

The Fast Squad presented an amendment to article 7, which read "To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$356,766 to defray the cost of Public Safety operations. Fast Squad \$38,460. The Moderator said that the Fast Squad's intent is to increase their line item from \$21,460 to \$38,460. The total bottom line becomes \$356,766. The amendment was moved and seconded. Administrator Stearns spoke to the amendment and explained that New London Ambulance Service is in some financial constraints and asked for contributions to cover the cost of the ambulance service. The Town of Grantham has an estimated cost of \$17,000. Ms. Stearns went on to explain that the town is waiting for a letter of retribution to the first letter since apparently it should never have gone out. We would like the \$17,000 added to the budget as a contingency just in case New London ambulance service stops operations.

*The amendment was passed by unanimous voice vote.*

As amended, the article now reads: "To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$356,766 to defray the cost of Public Safety operations." Fast Squad line increased by \$17,000 to \$38,460. Phil Schaefer questioned why the Police Department is up by \$30,000. Chief Lary answered that the higher amount was due to an increase in part time officers hours and increased costs for gas, tires, training.

*Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote*





**ARTICLE 8:** It was moved and seconded "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$460,750** to defray the cost of **Public Works** operation."

Account Title	Proposed 03/04
Highway Administration	127,910
Highway Maintenance	86,000
Street Lights	2,400
Solid Waste Collection	89,440
Waste Disposal	145,000
Landfill Monitoring	10,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>460,750</b>

*(Majority vote required)*  
*The Selectmen recommend this article*

Selectman Hutchins spoke to this article and explained that the highway budget was down due to less paving requirements and highway maintenance. Road Agent Joseph Newcomb and assistant Jeffrey Hastings were commended for the fine job done. Selectman Hutchins referenced a letter from the Town's insurance carrier from the State, who surveyed our roads and said, "They had never seen a better maintained set of roads in any town our size." Phil Currier and Linda Roberts were recognized for doing a great job at the transfer station. Art Magowen, Solid Waste District representative, received praise for the job he does as representative and explained about the Solid Waste project. Selectman Hutchins explained that the landfill is now enclosed and will have to be monitored for the next 19 years. Administrator Stearns answered a question place by David Springsteen concerning the increase of the landfill monitoring line. She explained now that the landfill is closed the monitoring is more extensive and therefore, more expensive.

*Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote*

**ARTICLE 9:** It was moved and seconded "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$15,288** to defray the cost of **Health and Welfare** operations."

Account Title	Proposed 03/04
Boarding Animals	300
Community Services	9,988
Town General Assistance	5,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15,288</b>

*(Majority vote required)*  
*The Selectmen recommend this article*

*Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote*

**ARTICLE 10:** It was moved and seconded "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **111,451** for **Culture and Recreation.**"

Account Title	Proposed 03/04
Recreation	6,000
Dunbar Free Library	102,951
Town Archives	500
Old Home Day	2,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>111,451</b>

*(Majority vote required)*

*The Selectmen recommend this article*

M. Hope Hunter, Library Trustee, spoke to this article by explaining that the small increase in the Library budget was due to health insurance costs.

*Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote*

**ARTICLE 11:** It was moved and seconded "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$114,812** for **Conservation, Bond Notes, Interest and Tax Anticipation Notes.**"

Account Title	Proposed 03/04
Conservation Commission	1,100
Bond Interest	43,612*
Bond Payment	70,000
Tax Anticipation Notes Interest	100
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>114,812</b>

*\*This amount can be reduced to \$16,600 should the Police Department Facility Warrant Article be defeated.*

*(Majority vote required)*

*The Selectmen recommend this article*

Sarah Barton was recognized to present an amendment to this article, "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$87,800 for Conservation, Bond Notes, Interest and Tax Anticipation Notes". The amendment was moved and seconded. The Moderator explained that the article, being amended by reducing the Bond Interest to \$16,600, now has a total of \$87,800. Joey Holmes asked what the \$70,000 Bond Payment was for. Administrator Stearns answered that it was the first payment of the landfill closure, which is due in August.

*Amendment adopted by unanimous voice vote.*

As amended, the article now reads: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$87,800 for Conservation, Bond Notes, Interest and Tax Anticipation Notes." The Bond Interest line decreased from \$43,612 to \$16,600.

*Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote*

**ARTICLE 12:** It was moved and seconded "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds to be placed in previously established **Capital Reserve Funds**. These sums to come from fund balance (surplus) for year ending June 30, 2003 and no amount to be raised from taxation."

<b>Account Title</b>	<b>Proposed 03/04</b>
Fire Department CRF	35,000
Mowers CRF	1,500
Highway Dept. Equipment CRF	30,000
Municipal Bldg. CRF	50,000
Office Computers CRF	1,500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>118,000</b>

*(Majority vote required)  
The Selectmen recommend this article*

Selectman Jones spoke for the article saying she is a firm believer in Capital Reserve Funds and hope that this article will pass as written. Cindy Towle made a motion to amend the article to read, To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$368,000 to be place in the previously established Capital Reserve Funds. This increase, to reflect \$250,000 to be placed in Municipal Building Capital Reserve. Ms. Towle explained that she believes in putting money in the Capital Reserve Fund for the buildings that the Town will need. A reworded, possible amendment, which would strengthen the amendment that Ms Towle offered, was handed to the Moderator by the Town Administrator. Ms. Towle withdrew her amendment and Myron Cummings withdrew his second so that the reworded amendment could be presented. Ms. Towle moved the following amendment: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$368,000 to be placed in previously established Capital Reserve Funds and authorize the transfer of \$118,000 to come from the fund balance (surplus) for year ending June 30, 2003 and the remainder to come from taxation. Municipal Building Capital Reserve \$250,000. Seconded by Andy Anderson. Moderator Schotanus explained that the Municipal Building Capital Reserve Fund line would read \$300,000, \$50,000 to come from the fund balance (surplus) and \$250,000 to be raised by taxation.

Selectman Jones explained that every \$10,000 added to the Capital Reserve Fund adds \$0.04 to the tax.. Bill Zimmerman asked if monies from the Municipal Building Reserve Fund could be used for administrative overhead such as architectural, engineering and planning purposes. The Selectmen responded affirmatively.

*Amendment failed by majority hand vote.*



The Moderator opened discussion on Article 12 as it is written in the warrant. Cindy Covell moved to amend the article to read: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$193,000 to be placed in previously established Capital Reserve Funds and authorize the transfer of \$118,000 to come from the fund balance (surplus) for the year ending June 30, 2003 and the remainder to come from taxation." Municipal Building Capital Reserve would increase by \$75,000. Seconded by Kathy Osgood.

*Amendment passed by majority voice vote.*

As amended, the article now reads, "To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$193,000 to be placed in previously established Capital Reserve Funds and authorize the transfer of \$118,000 to come from the fund balance (surplus) for year ending June 30, 2003 and the remainder to come from taxation." Municipal Building Capital Reserve line increased from \$50,000 to \$125,000.

*Passed by Majority Voice Vote*

**ARTICLE 13:** It was moved and seconded "To see if the town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of Transfer Station Equipment and to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in this fund, and appoint the selectmen as agents to expend from the fund. These sums to come from fund balance (surplus) for year ending June 30, 2003 and no amount to be raised from taxation."

*(Majority vote required)  
The Selectmen recommend this article*

*Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote*

**ARTICLE 14:** It was moved and seconded "To see if the town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of Police Vehicles and to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in this fund, and appoint the selectmen as agents to expend from the fund. These sums to come from fund balance (surplus) for year ending June 30, 2003 and no amount to be raised from taxation."

*(Majority vote required)  
The Selectmen recommend this article*

*Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote*

**ARTICLE 15:** It was moved and seconded "To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) to purchase a new Highway Truck and authorize the withdrawal of sixty-five thousand dollars (\$65,000) from the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The balance of up to thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) to come from fund balance (surplus) for year ending June 30, 2003 and no amount to be raised from taxation."

*(Majority vote required)  
The Selectmen recommend this article*



*Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote*

**ARTICLE 16:** It was moved and seconded "To see if the town will vote to lease the Municipal Gymnasium located on 75 Learning Drive to the Grantham School District (SAU #75) effective July 1, 2003."

*(Majority vote required)*

*The Selectmen recommend this article*

Chick Pillsbury voiced concern about who would be handling the gym scheduling. Administrator Stearns answered that as far as she knew it would be the school secretary during the school year and the superintendent's office during the summer months. The existing commitments, such as Recreation Department use, Town Meeting day, Eastman meetings, and volleyball use will continue as they are. This will be clearly defined in the lease agreement. Any new commitments will be arranged through the school office. Bill Sullivan asked how long the lease was for. The administrator said it would be incorporated with the current lease, which is a 99 year lease, for \$1.00 The School District leases the land that the school is located on from the Town.

*Passed by Majority Voice Vote*

**ARTICLE 17:** It was moved and seconded "To see if the town will vote to discontinue the Landfill Closure Capital Reserve account established May 12, 2001."

*(Majority vote required)*

*The Selectmen recommend this article*

Administrator Stearns explained that there was nothing in the fund but, per RSA 35:16 a, *The Discontinuing of a Fund*, we have to bring a separate warrant article to close out that fund.

*Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote*

**ARTICLE 18:** "To hear the reports of agents, officers, and committees heretofore chosen, to pass any vote relating thereto, and to transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting."

The Selectmen and Administrator Stearns thanked Bob Osgood, Emergency Management Director, for working very hard to update the Town's emergency management plans; Kenneth Barton, Sr. for doing a wonderful job as Fire Warden and doing it since 1961; outgoing Selectman Michael Hayward, Sr. for serving his 3 years and a job well done; Art Magowan for all of his efforts in the solid waste department; and Dr. Kenneth Kerwin, the current Health Officer, who does an extremely good job.

Bill Zimmerman was recognized and made a motion that the Selectmen and School Board be encouraged to act jointly in appointing a long range Capital Planning Committee. Seconded by Bob Kessler.

*Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote*

Frances Hastings nominated Jonathan A. and Shannon E. Fox for the position of Fence Viewers and Jeremiah John and Lauren Jane Fountain for Hog Reeves.

*Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote*

There being no further business or reports, Moderator Schotanus declared the 227<sup>th</sup> Town Meeting adjourned at 2:50 P.M.

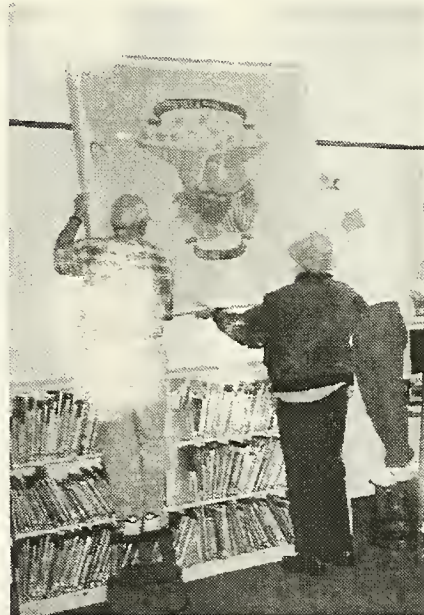
A True Copy Attest:  
*Rita Eigenbrode, Town Clerk*  
March 27, 2003

*Photo by Geraldine Moulton*



Bob Champagne & Fred Curtis Display the Militia Flag

*Photo by B. Joey Holmes*



Bob Champagne, Allen Walker & Fred Curtis  
Hang the Militia Flag in the  
Dunbar Free Library

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# REPORT OF APPROPRIATIONS ACTUALLY VOTED

(RSA 21-J:34)

Date of Meeting: MARCH 11, 2003Town/City Of: GRANTHAM County: SULLIVANMailing Address: PO BOX 276, 34 DUNBAR HILL ROADGRANTHAM NEW HAMPSHIRE 03753Phone #: 603-863-6021 Fax #: 603-863-4499 E-Mail: admin@granthamnh.net

## Certificate of Appropriations

(To be Completed After Annual or Special Meeting)

This is to certify that the information contained in this form, appropriations actually voted by the town/city meeting, was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

## Governing Body (Selectmen)

*Please sign in ink.*Date: March 12, 2003Constance A. Jones Constance A. JonesWilliam E. Hutchins W E HutchinsHarold Haddock Harold Haddock

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COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION  
MUNICIPAL FINANCE BUREAU  
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PENALTY: Failure to file within 20 days after each meeting at which appropriations were voted may result in a \$5.00 per day penalty for each days's delay (RSA 21-J:36).



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1	2	3	4	5
Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3.V)	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations As Voted	For Use By Department of Revenue Administration
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive	6	94,676	
4140-4149	Election Reg. & Vital Statistics	6	64,428	
4150-4151	Financial Administration	6	48,500	
4152	Revaluation of Property	6	25,000	
4153	Legal Expense	6	12,000	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	6	144,970	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning	6	6,945	
4194	General Government Buildings	6	51,040	
4195	Cemeteries	6	9,500	
4196	Insurance	6	3,000	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.	6	2,000	
4199	Other General Government	-		
PUBLIC SAFETY			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police	7		
4215-4219	Ambulance	7		
4220-4229	Fire	7		
4240-4249	Building Inspection	7	10,000	
4290-4298	Emergency Management			
4299	Other (including Communications)			
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations			
HIGHWAYS & STREETS			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4311	Administration	8	127,910	
4312	Highways & Streets	8	86,000	
4313	Bridges			
4316	Street Lighting	8	2,000	
4319	Other			
SANITATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4321	Administration			
4323	Solid Waste Collection	8	89,440	
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	8	145,000	
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up	8	10,000	
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other			
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4331	Administration			
4332	Water Services			
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv. & Other			
ELECTRIC			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4351-4359	Electrical Operations			

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations As Voted	For Use By Department of Revenue Administration
<b>HEALTH</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4411	Administration			
4414	Pest Control	9	300	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other	9	9,988	
<b>WELFARE</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.			
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pyrnnts			
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other	9	5,000	
<b>CULTURE &amp; RECREATION</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation	10	6,000	
4550-4559	Library	10	102,951	
4583	Patriotic Purposes	4/10	7,000	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation	10	500	
<b>CONSERVATION</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4611-4612	Admin. & Purch. of Nat. Resources	11	1,100	
4619	Other Conservation			
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMNT & HOUSING			
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT			
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes	11	70,000	
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes	11	16,600	
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Note	11	100	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service			
<b>CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4901	Land			
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment	15	100,000	
4903	Buildings			
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs			
<b>OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4912	To Special Revenue Fund			
4913	To Capital Projects Fund			
4914	To Enterprise Fund			
	Sewer-			
	Water-			
	Electric-			
	Airport-			
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	12/13/14	213,000	
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917			
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds			
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds			
4919	To Agency Funds			
<b>TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS</b>			<b>1,844,344</b>	

## 2003 Tax Rate Computation

Appropriations	1,844,344		
Less: Revenues	1,125,640		
Less: Shared Revenues	3,670		
Add: Overlay	39,313		
War Service Credits	7,950		
Net Town Appropriation	762,297		
Special Adjustment	0		
Approved Town/City Tax Effort	762,297	<b>TOWN RATE</b>	
		<b>2.95</b>	
<b>SCHOOL PORTION</b>			
Net Local School Budget	3,859,934		
Regional School Apportionment	0		
Less: Adequate Education Grant	0		
State Education Taxes	(1,182,399)		
Approved School(s) Tax Effort	2,677,535	<b>LOCAL SCHOOL RATE</b>	
		<b>10.39</b>	
<b>STATE EDUCATION TAXES</b>			
Equalized Valuation (no utilities) x	\$4.92	<b>STATE SCHOOL RATE</b>	
293,280,877	1,442,942	<b>5.64</b>	
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)			
255,920,638			
Excess State Education Taxes to be Remitted to State			
Pay to State	260,543		
<b>COUNTY PORTION</b>			
Due to County	1,191,535		
Less: Shared Revenues	(1,750)		
Approved County Tax Effort	1,189,785	<b>COUNTY RATE</b>	
		<b>4.62</b>	
Total Property Taxes Assessed	6,072,558		
Less: War Service Credits	(7,950)	<b>TOTAL RATE</b>	
Add: Village District Commitment(s)	281,859	<b>23.60</b>	
<b>Total Property Tax Commitment</b>	<b>6,346,468</b>		

**PROOF OF RATE**

Net Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax (no utilities) 255,920,638	5.64	1,442,942
All Other Taxes 257,748,689	17.96	<u>4,629,617</u>
		6,072,559



## Tax Rate Five-Year Review

<b>GRANTHAM</b>	<b>Town</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<i>Village District</i>	<i>TOTAL EASTMAN</i>
1999	2.65	2.77	12.53	<b>17.95</b>	1.23	19.18
2000	2.43	4.22	12.06	<b>18.71</b>	1.19	19.90
2001	3.40	5.20	13.09	<b>21.69</b>	1.17	22.86
2002	2.84	4.58	13.58	<b>21.00</b>	1.32	22.32
2003	2.95	4.62	16.03	<b>23.60</b>	1.51	25.11

<u><b>NEIGHBORING TOWNS</b></u>				
<i>2003 Rate</i>	<b>Town</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>CROYDON</b>	3.83	4.11	20.35	<b>28.29</b>
<b>SPRINGFIELD</b>	4.62	4.59	15.08	<b>24.29</b>
<b>SUNAPEE</b>	4.31	4.48	16.18	<b>24.97</b>
<b>PLAINFIELD</b>	3.00	2.86	15.98	<b>21.84</b>



## DEPT. BUDGET—FIVE YEAR COMPARISON

Department	2001	2002	2003	2004
4130 - Town Offices	89,450	90,395	94,676	97,575
4140 - Town Clerk/Tax Collector	69,242	62,146	64,428	75,603
4150 - Financial Admin	40,500	47,360	48,500	49,200
4152 - Assessing/Tax Maps	16,500	16,500	35,000	125,000
4153 - Legal	12,000	12,000	12,000	8,000
4155 - Employee Benefits	129,806	137,506	144,970	198,120
4191 - Planning	3,425	3,425	4,175	6,075
4192 - Zoning	1,875	2,450	2,770	2,260
4194 - Town Buildings	73,330	72,110	61,040	45,700
4195 - Cemeteries	7,550	8,750	9,900	12,000
4196 - General Insurance	23,000	12,000	14,750	16,800
4197 - Regional Assoc	1,197	1,197	2,080	2,080
4210 - Police	231,604	237,169	268,156	286,990
4215 - FAST Squad	30,050	18,450	38,460	49,624
4220 - Fire	55,250	49,535	50,150	68,225
4311 - Highway	211,760	222,080	216,310	210,290
4323 - Solid Waste	71,400	133,058	89,440	86,600
4324 - Solid Waste Disposal	111,000	118,000	145,000	137,800
4325 - Landfill Monitoring	10,000	10,000	10,000	8,000
4414 - Animal Control	300	300	300	300
4415 - Community Social Services	5,370	5,854	9,988	10,246
4442 - General Assistance (Welfare)	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
4520 - Recreation	4,000	6,000	6,000	6,000
4550 - Dunbar Free Library	82,550	93,014	102,951	98,604
4583 - Old Home Day	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
4589 - Archives	500	500	500	500
4611 - Conservation	1,100	1,100	1,100	800

## Comparative Statement of Appropriations & Expenditures July 1, 2002—June 30, 2003

Department	Appropriated	Expended	(Over) Under Budget
4130 - Town Offices	90,395	78,583	11,812
4140 - Town Clerk/Tax Collector	62,146	58,988	3,158
4150 - Financial Admin	47,360	46,153	1,207
4152 - Assessing/Tax Maps	16,500	21,616	(5,116)
4153 - Legal	12,000	4,163	7,837
4155 - Employee Benefits	147,812	118,389	29,423
4191 - Planning	3,425	551	2,874
4192 - Zoning	2,450	1,778	672
4194 - Town Buildings	72,110	55,573	16,537
4195 - Cemeteries	8,750	6,334	2,416
4196 - General Insurance	12,000	12,782	(782)
4197 - Regional Assoc	1,197	2,080	(883)
4210 - Police	237,169	225,353	11,816
4215 - FAST Squad	18,450	15,210	3,240
4220 - Fire	49,535	39,159	10,376
4311 - Highway	224,480	207,087	17,393
4323 - Solid Waste	133,058	113,402	19,656
4324 - Solid Waste Disposal	118,000	122,920	(4,920)
4325 - Landfill Monitoring	5,000	4,147	853
4414 - Animal Control	300	50	250
4415 - Community Social Services	5,854	5,854	-
4442 - General Assistance (Welfare)	5,000	1,059	3,941
4520 - Recreation	6,000	5,897	103
4550 - Dunbar Free Library	53,713	59,398	(5,685)
4583 - Old Home Day	2,000	-	2,000
4589 - Archives	500	404	96
4611 - Conservation	1,100	691	409
4711 - Bond & Interest	8,251	6,440	1,811
4723 - TANS	100	-	100
4902 - Capital - Machinery/Vehicles	15,300	14,500	800
4915 - Transfers to Capital Reserves	81,500	81,500	-
<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>	<b>\$ 1,441,455</b>	<b>\$ 1,310,062</b>	<b>\$ 131,393</b>



Statement of Estimated & Actual Revenues  
July 1, 2002—June 30, 2003

Acct	Description	02/03 Budget	02/03 Actual
3120	Land Use Change Tax	5,000	4,100
3185	Yield Tax	5,000	1,819
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes	21,000	31,500
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	10,000	9,593
3220	Motor Vehicle Registration Fees	450,000	509,670
3230	Building Permits	1,500	1,695
3290	Dogs / Vitals / Marriage Licenses	5,000	3,972
3290	Franchise Cable Fees	5,423	4,506
3351	Shared Revenue & Meals/Rooms	63,592	74,402
3353	Highway Block Grants	42,792	47,698
3401	Income from Departments	40,000	52,840
3501	Sale of Town Owned Property	5,000	17,782
3502	Interest Earned	50,000	31,413
3506	Health Insurance Reimbursement	10,073	10,073
3915	Capital Reserve Fund Transfer	5,000	25,493
	TOTALS	80	826,555

**REVENUES**

## Balance Sheet—June 30, 2003

*EXHIBIT A*  
**TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
*Combined Balance Sheet*  
*All Fund Types and Account Group*  
*June 30, 2003*

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>			<u>Fiduciary Fund Types</u>	<u>Account Group</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>	<u>Trust and Agency</u>	<u>Long-Term Debt</u>	<u>(Memorandum Only)</u>
<b><u>ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS</u></b>						
<u>Assets</u>						
Cash and Equivalents	\$ 1,867,103	\$ 48,630	\$ 1,540	\$ 2,783	\$	\$ 1,920,056
Investments	822,293	31,153	53,610	823,061		1,730,117
<u>Receivables (Net of Allowance For Uncollectible)</u>						
Taxes	1,105,899					1,105,899
Accounts	653					653
Intergovernmental	19,089					19,089
Interfund Receivable	242,775	2,707				245,482
Prepaid Items				237,000		237,000
Tax Deeded Property Subject to Resale	19,126					19,126
<u>Other Debits</u>						
Amount to be Provided for Retirement of General Long-Term Debt					722,234	722,234
<b>TOTAL ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS</b>	<b><u>\$ 4,076,938</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 82,490</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 55,150</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 1,062,844</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 722,234</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 5,999,656</u></b>
<b><u>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</u></b>						
<u>Liabilities</u>						
Accounts Payable	\$ 68,099	\$ 1,126	\$	\$	\$	\$ 69,225
Accrued Payroll and Benefits	2,407					2,407
Intergovernmental Payable	11,340			405,988		417,328
Interfund Payable	2,707	5,775		237,000		245,482
Deferred Tax Revenue	2,763,018					2,763,018
Other Deferred Revenue	10,500					10,500
General Obligation Bonds Payable					350,000	350,000
Capital Leases Payable					27,234	27,234
Accrued Landfill Postclosure Care Costs					345,000	345,000
Total Liabilities	<u>2,858,071</u>	<u>6,901</u>		<u>642,988</u>	<u>722,234</u>	<u>4,230,194</u>
<u>Equity</u>						
<u>Fund Balances</u>						
Reserved For Encumbrances	28,546					28,546
Reserved For Endowments				45,153		45,153
Reserved For Special Purposes	253,746	2,561	55,150	374,703		686,160
Reserved For Tax Deeded Purposes	19,126					19,126
<u>Unreserved</u>						
Designated For Special Purposes		73,028				73,028
Undesignated	<u>917,449</u>					<u>917,449</u>
Total Equity	<u>1,218,867</u>	<u>75,589</u>	<u>55,150</u>	<u>419,856</u>		<u>1,769,462</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>	<b><u>\$ 4,076,938</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 82,490</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 55,150</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 1,062,844</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 722,234</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 5,999,656</u></b>

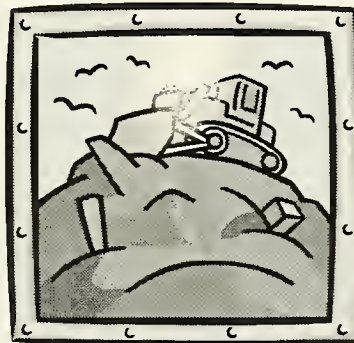
## Statement of Bonded Debt Year Ending June 30, 2003

### Landfill Closure—5 year bond

The annual requirements to amortize all general obligation debt outstanding as of June 30, 2003, including interest payments, are as follows:

#### *Annual Requirements To Amortize General Obligation Bonds Payable*

Fiscal Year Ending <u>June 30,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2004	\$ 70,000	\$ 10,150	\$ 80,150
2005	70,000	8,050	78,050
2006	70,000	5,950	75,950
2007	70,000	3,675	73,675
2008	<u>70,000</u>	<u>1,225</u>	<u>71,225</u>
<u>Totals</u>	<u>\$ 350,000</u>	<u>\$ 29,050</u>	<u>\$ 379,050</u>





## Schedule of Town Owned Property

207-004	Al Smith Road—Ella Smith Lot	207-005	Route 10 North—Al Smith Corner Lot
209-001	Croydon Turnpike—Wallis Land	210-003	Miller Pond Road—Kimball Land
210-004	Off Meriden Road—Wallis Land	210-005	Croydon Turnpike—Kimball Land
210-006	Croydon Turnpike—Minister Lot	210-007	Croydon Turnpike—Wallis Land
210-008	Croydon Turnpike—Vette Davis Land	210-009	Croydon Turnpike—Minister Lot
210-010	1209 Miller Pond Road—Kimball Land	211-012	Miller Pond Road—Lucius Smith Lot
211-023	49 Hemlock Lane	211-069	Tall Timber Drive—Bus Turn-Around
212-064	33 High Pond Road	212-081	75 High Pond Road
212-090	45 High Pond Road	213-032	82 Anderson Pond Road
213-053	38 Anderson Pond Road	213-110	39 Shore Road
213-119	400 Road 'Round the Lake	214-030	18 Catamount Road
214-044	28 Spring Valley Drive	214-062	19 Spring Valley Drive
215-132	51 Bright Slope Way	216-041	Burpee Hill Road—Hastings Cemetery
216-089	16 Bobbin Hill	216-093	8 Bobbin Hill
216-205	19 Anderson Pond Road	218-002	Croydon Turnpike—School Lot
224-001	17 Brookridge Drive	225-044	17 Hummingbird Hill
226-026	Route 10 N—Brookside Park	226-027	Route 10 N—Brookside Park
227-023	New Aldrich Road	233-001	34 Dunbar Hill Road—Town Offices/PD
233-075	75 Learning Drive—Village School	234-060	13 Troon Drive
234-099	34 Greensward Drive	234-142	Route 114
235-016	1081 Route 114—Landfill Site	235-030	1150 Route 114—Transfer Station
236-004	Route 114	236-021	Stoney Brook Road—Hilldale Cemetery
237-005	401 Route 10 S—Dunbar Free Library	237-032	Route 10 S—Town Hall Parking
237-033	Route 10 S—Town Hall Parking	237-061	Dunbar Hill Road—Dunbar Hill Cemetery
243-009	Stoney Brook/Sanhord Hill—Corner Lot		



**PLODZIK & SANDERSON***Professional Association/Accountants & Auditors*193 North Main Street • Concord • New Hampshire • 03301-5063 • 603-225-6996 • FAX-224-1380*INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT*

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen  
Town of Grantham  
Grantham, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Town of Grantham, New Hampshire as of and for the year ended June 30, 2003 as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The general purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the general fixed assets account group which should be included in order to conform with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. As is the case with most municipal entities in the State of New Hampshire, the Town of Grantham has not maintained historical cost records of its fixed assets. The amount that should be recorded in the general fixed assets account group is not known.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the financial statements of the omission described in the preceding paragraph, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Grantham as of June 30, 2003, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Grantham taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund financial statements listed as schedules in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Grantham. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

September 3, 2003

*Plodzik & Sanderson  
Professional Association*

SCHEDULE A-1  
TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
General Fund  
Statement of Estimated and Actual Revenues  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003

	Estimated	Actual	Over (Under) Estimate
<u>REVENUES</u>			
<u>Taxes</u>			
Property	\$ 668,796	\$ 686,643	\$ 17,847
Land Use Change	5,000	4,100	(900)
Timber	5,000	2,007	(2,993)
Excavation		37	37
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	21,000	21,000	
Interest and Penalties on Taxes	10,000	21,397	11,397
Total Taxes	<u>709,796</u>	<u>735,184</u>	<u>25,388</u>
<u>Licenses, Permits and Fees</u>			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	450,000	515,279	65,279
Building Permits	1,500	1,695	195
Other	5,000	14,397	9,397
Total Licenses, Permits and Fees	<u>456,500</u>	<u>531,371</u>	<u>74,871</u>
<u>Intergovernmental</u>			
<u>State</u>			
Shared Revenue	9,093	9,093	
Meals and Rooms Distribution	63,592	63,559	(33)
Highway Block Grant	42,792	47,698	4,906
Other		19,179	19,179
Total Intergovernmental	<u>115,477</u>	<u>139,529</u>	<u>24,052</u>
<u>Charges For Services</u>			
Income From Departments	<u>40,000</u>	<u>52,406</u>	<u>12,406</u>
<u>Miscellaneous</u>			
Sale of Municipal Property	5,000	17,782	12,782
Interest on Investments	50,000	30,486	(19,514)
Fines and Forfeits		11	11
Insurance Dividends and Reimbursements		10,409	10,409
Other		7,098	7,098
Total Miscellaneous	<u>55,000</u>	<u>65,786</u>	<u>10,786</u>
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>			
<u>Operating Transfers In</u>			
<u>Interfund Transfers</u>			
<u>Trust Funds</u>			
Expendable		493	493
Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources	<u>1,376,773</u>	<u>\$ 1,524,769</u>	<u>\$ 147,996</u>
<u>Unreserved Fund Balance Used To Reduce Tax Rate</u>	<u>111,000</u>		
Total Revenues, Other Financing Sources and Use of Fund Balance	<u>\$ 1,487,773</u>		



SCHEDULE A-2  
TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
General Fund  
Statement of Appropriations, Expenditures and Encumbrances  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003

	Encumbered From 2001-2002	Appropriations 2002-2003	Expenditures Net of Refunds	Encumbered To 2003-2004	(Over) Under Budget
<u>Current</u>					
<u>General Government</u>					
Executive	\$	\$ 90,395	\$ 78,583	\$	\$ 11,812
Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics		62,146	58,988		3,158
Financial Administration		47,360	46,153		1,207
Revaluation of Property		16,500	21,616		(5,116)
Legal		12,000	4,163		7,837
Personnel Administration		147,812	118,389		29,423
Planning and Zoning		5,875	2,371		3,504
General Government Buildings		72,110	55,573		16,537
Cemeteries		8,750	6,334		2,416
Insurance, not otherwise allocated		12,000	12,782		(782)
Advertising and Regional Associations		1,197	2,080		(883)
Total General Government		476,145	407,032		69,113
<u>Public Safety</u>					
Police Department		237,169	225,353		11,816
Ambulance		18,450	15,210		3,240
Fire Department		49,535	39,159		10,376
Total Public Safety		305,154	279,722		25,432
<u>Highways and Streets</u>					
Highways and Streets		222,080	204,573		17,507
Street Lighting		2,400	2,514		(114)
Total Highways and Streets		224,480	207,087		17,393
<u>Sanitation</u>					
Solid Waste Collection		133,058	113,402		19,656
Solid Waste Disposal		118,000	122,920		(4,920)
Solid Waste Cleanup		5,000	4,147		853
Other		1,500			1,500
Total Sanitation		257,558	240,469		17,089
<u>Health</u>					
Animal Control		300	50		250
Other		5,854	5,854		
Total Health		6,154	5,904		250
<u>Welfare</u>					
Direct Assistance		5,000	1,059		3,941

SCHEDULE A-2 (Continued)  
TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
General Fund  
Statement of Appropriations, Expenditures and Encumbrances  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003

	Encumbered From 2001-2002	Appropriations 2002-2003	Expenditures Net of Refunds	Encumbered To 2003-2004	(Over) Under Budget
<u>Culture and Recreation</u>					
Parks and Recreation		6,000	5,897		103
Patriotic Purposes		<u>2,000</u>			<u>2,000</u>
Total Culture and Recreation		<u>8,000</u>	<u>5,897</u>		<u>2,103</u>
 Conservation		<u>1,100</u>	<u>691</u>		<u>409</u>
 <u>Debt Service</u>					
Interest - Long-Term Debt		8,251	6,440		1,811
Interest - Tax Anticipation Notes		<u>100</u>			<u>100</u>
Total Debt Service		<u>8,351</u>	<u>6,440</u>		<u>1,911</u>
 <u>Capital Outlay</u>					
Recreational Fields	39,563		11,017	28,546	
Town Archives		500	404		96
Custodial Vehicle		5,000	4,200		800
Police Vehicle		<u>10,300</u>	<u>10,300</u>		
Total Capital Outlay	<u>39,563</u>	<u>15,800</u>	<u>25,921</u>	<u>28,546</u>	<u>896</u>
 <u>Other Financing Uses</u>					
<u>Operating Transfers Out</u>					
<u>Interfund Transfers</u>					
Special Revenue Funds		98,531	98,531		
<u>Trust Funds</u>					
<u>Expendable</u>					
Capital Reserve		<u>81,500</u>	<u>81,500</u>		
Total Operating Transfers Out		<u>180,031</u>	<u>180,031</u>		
 <u>Total Appropriations</u>					
<u>Expenditures and Encumbrances</u>	<u>\$ 39,563</u>	<u>\$ 1,487,773</u>	<u>\$ 1,360,253</u>	<u>\$ 28,546</u>	<u>\$ 138,537</u>

SCHEDULE A-3  
TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
General Fund  
Statement of Changes in Unreserved - Undesignated Fund Balance  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003

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Unreserved - Undesignated Fund Balance - July 1(As Restated - See Note 3-H)

\$ 914,854

Deductions

Unreserved Fund Balance Used

To Reduce 2002 Tax Rate

\$ (111,000)

Increase In Reserve For Special Purposes

(249,606)

Total Deductions

(360,606)

Additions2002-2003 Budget Summary

Revenue Surplus (Schedule A-1)

\$ 147,996

Unexpended Balance of

Appropriations (Schedule A-2)

138,537

2002-2003 Budget Surplus

\$ 286,533

Decrease In Reserve For Tax Deeded Property

101

Residual Equity Transfer In

76,567

Total Additions

363,201Unreserved - Undesignated Fund Balance - June 30\$ 917,449

## REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

The top priority on the Selectmen's agenda during the past year was to develop a proposal for a new town building that would satisfy the needs of the Town and represent a responsible and cost effective solution for the future. We recognized that the proposal for the Police Station was defeated at last year's Town Meeting because of the expense and it did not address other departmental space needs. In fact, there seemed to be little disagreement among the voters that a new facility was needed, but the proposal did not deal with the whole problem. The Selectmen also believed that more community input and involvement was needed regarding town facilities. This was evident from the resolution that was passed at the 2003 Town Meeting.

In May the Select Board appointed an independent committee to re-study the space needs of the Town Departments and make recommendations. The community members appointed to the "Town Building Committee" were: Bob Champagne, Bob Friday, Mary Hutchins, Bruce St.Peter, Roger Woodworth and Bill Zimmerman. The Selectmen have been very pleased with the enthusiasm of the committee members and the progress made to date. Please take time to read the Committee Report printed in this publication.

In October we appointed Roger Woodworth as our first Building Permit Supervisor. With the ever increasing number of building permits issued each year it became evident that we needed to fill this position. The Supervisor reports to the Town Administrator and the Board of Selectmen. The main goal is to insure that all structures within the boundaries of the Town of Grantham are compliant with the regulations of the Town. Roger has made an excellent start with the design of a flow chart which describes step-by-step the building permit process and introducing himself and his position to the contractors and developers that he will be working with.

The Selectmen have been planning for the required Revaluation of all real properties in the Town. The appraisal firm of Earls, Neider, Perkins has been engaged to perform the appraisals at a cost of \$135,000. This process will take approximately two years and begin in the late spring of 2004.

We met with a group of concerned parents to discuss Grantham's recreation program. They feel there is a need to make the Recreation Director a paid, part-time position. The unpaid volunteer Director has resigned due to the big increase in the hours spent on the job. We agreed to put this request on the Warrant if the Recreation Committee would assume the role of coordinating programs which will be substantially self funded.

The year witnessed a heartening (encouraging) increase in citizen interest and volunteerism in Town affairs—for which we are most appreciative.

Finally, the Selectmen were notified by Dr. Ken Kerwin that he wished to retire from the position of Health Officer. He has filled this position with distinction for more than 10 years. On behalf of the residents of Grantham, we would like to commend and thank Ken for his valuable contribution to the community.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Constance A. Jones, Chair  
William E. Hutchins  
Harold Haddock, Jr.*



Chairman Connie Jones, Harold Haddock, Bill Hutchins



## TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT



As I complete my fourth year as Town Administrator I reflect on how the Town has grown over the years. Having grown up in Grantham I have witnessed first hand the changes in the Town as the population multiplies. The increased population escalates the activity in every municipal department. Roads require continuous attention due to added traffic which also keeps the Police busy making sure residents abide by the laws. The Town Office is non-stop activity with new residents moving in and the flow of realtors and appraisers due to the boost of house sales.

March 2003 brought the addition of Harold Haddock to the Board of Selectmen. Harold replaced Michael Hayward, Sr. who did not seek re-election after his 3-year term expired. Each new Selectman comes from a diverse background which at times can be frustrating but forces me to look at the budgets and departments from a different perspective. I have been fortunate to work for a variety of Selectmen whom I want to thank for allowing me to grow in my position.

The voters of Grantham will be asked at the Town Meeting in March to approve a new Town Building which will be home to the majority of Town Departments, including the Police Department, as well as the School Administrative Unit. I cannot stress enough how much this building is needed. From the outside looking in the Town Offices and Police Department appear cozy and quaint—what a façade. Imagine being a resident who has fallen on hard times and needs to speak with me about their financial situation. Would you want anyone buying a Transfer Station sticker, etc. to hear the entire conversation? My current office is partitioned walls, does not have a door and allows for absolutely no privacy. The Police Department employees, especially, are working in substandard conditions. The current building has served the Town well and will be a welcome home for the Historical Society. The employees of the Town are dedicated to serving the residents and we are asking the voters to allow us a proper environment in which to continue to serve.

I want to take this opportunity to, once again, thank my assistant Sarah Barton. Sarah and I work together as a team and if I happen to be unavailable she is more than capable of answering any questions. I feel extremely fortunate to have an assistant with her dedication.

Longevity in employment can be rare, especially in a municipality, and I want to bring to your attention the length of time the following Town of Grantham employees have been around. Thank you all for your continued dedication.

- Russell Lary, Police Chief—16 years
- Jerry Whitney, Deputy Police Chief—13 years
- Joseph Newcomb, Road Agent—9 years
- Sarah Barton, Admin. Asst.—5 years
- Rita Eigenbrode, Town Clerk/Tax Collector—5 years

Please take a moment to visit the Town's website at [www.granthamnh.net](http://www.granthamnh.net)—it contains a lot of tidbits and information.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Tina Stearns, Town Administrator*

## ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT'S REPORT



**Ooh! Dump Stickers! Dump Stickers!**

The Selectmen's Office isn't just for dump stickers! We are your source of information for the following:

- Raffle, Sign, Driveway & Building Permits
- Site Plan, Subdivision, Annexation Processes
- Current Use, Intent to Cut & Excavate
- Conservation & Zoning Applications
- Property Transfer Data
- Property Information, Lists & Labels
- Assessment Information
- Tax Maps & 911 Addresses
- Address Changes
- Meeting Minutes
- Cable Access Channel Information
- Flood Maps
- Wetland Applications & Complaints
- Accounts Payable
- Veterans Credits & Elderly Exemptions
- Cemetery Regulations
- Town Hall Use
- Abatement Applications
- Welfare Assistance
- Much, much more!



Please take a moment and visit our website at [www.granthamnh.net](http://www.granthamnh.net). If you don't see the information you are looking for, give me a call at 863-6021.

*Sarah Barton, Administrative Assistant*

BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED			
Type	2003	2002	2001
Single Family	56	45	32
Addition	22	13	21
Garage	22	20	19
Shed	13	13	10
Porch/Deck	13	19	13
Barn	4	2	2
Duplex Unit	0	1	1
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>98</b>

## Town Clerk's Report

The year 2003 found the Town of Grantham continuing to grow in leaps and bounds and we endeavored to efficiently process the needs of residents, old and new, that came into the office.

We changed software to better accommodate our needs and to enhance the efficiency of the office. Cindy's hours were increased to accommodate the increase in population and manage the workload. Town Clerk revenues increased by 6%.

The Town Clerk's office assisted SAU 75 in the registration of new pupils at GVS, Lebanon Jr. High and Lebanon High School system by certifying the residency of parents or guardians.

A trial of Friday morning hours was done in the summer of 2003 and will be enacted again this summer in order to better serve the Grantham public.

Rita was appointed the Dartmouth Lake Sunapee Region co-chair by the New Hampshire City and Town Clerk Association Executive Board. She shares duties with Debra Clark of Charlestown.

We attended seminars throughout the year to keep abreast of changes in the law pertaining to motor vehicle, tax collection, and voter registration.

New car laws include Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) verification on vehicles dated 1989 or older. The form, TDMV 19A, and instructions are available at the Town Clerk's office.

Voter registration laws have been changed to follow the HAVA (Help America Vote Act) Laws of 2002. New registrants should bring in a current driver license and a passport or certified birth certificate when registering.

Don't forget to license your dog by April 30, 2004. Dog population rendered a tag count of 579 in the year of 2003 and we expect to license at least that many this year. We strive to have your current information on file about Fido, but we do need to know the rabies tag number, the expiration date of the rabies vaccination, and if your dog is neutered or spade. This year our new dog tags are shaped like doghouses and come in the shiny red color; adorable on any pooch!

Wishing you a happy & healthy 2004.

*Respectfully submitted,*  
*Rita Eigenbrode, Town Clerk*  
*Cynthia Towle, Deputy Town Clerk*



### JULY 1, 2002 TO JUNE 30, 2003

Motor Vehicle Permit Fees .....	\$509,669.81
Municipal Agent Fee .....	7,310.00
Reclamation Trust Fund .....	7,338.00
Reclamation Administrative Fees .....	1,560.50
Dog Licenses .....	2,191.00
State Dog Fund .....	1,223.00
Dog License Fines .....	612.00
Marriage Licenses .....	630.00
Marriage, Birth & Death Certificates .....	276.00
Copies of Marriage, Birth & Death Certificates .....	192.00
UCC Filings .....	777.34
Wetlands Permits .....	70.00
Miscellaneous Fees .....	416.50
Bad Check Fees .....	130.00
Election Filing Fees .....	4.00

**TOTAL .....**\$532,400.65



## Tax Collector's MS-61 Report—Year Ending June 30, 2003

DEBITS	Levy for Year of this Report	2001	2000	PRIOR
<b>UNCOLLECTED TAXES—BEG. OF YEAR:</b>				
Property Taxes		862,193.21		
<b>TAXES COMMITTED</b>				
Property Taxes	5,528,760.38			
Land Use Change	4,100.00			
Yield Taxes	2,155.99			
Excavation Tax	37.46			
<b>OVERPAYMENT</b>				
Property Taxes/Overpay	9,705.58	4,009.57		
Property Taxes/Prepay	9,906.36	12,305.43		
Adjustments/Other	5,027.64	1.36		
Interest & Penalties	5,024.11	9,330.20		
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>\$ 5,564,717.52</b>	<b>\$ 887,839.77</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>
<b>CREDITS</b>				
<b>REMITTED TO TREASURER:</b>				
Property Taxes	4,452,960.73	867,887.84		
Land Use Change	4,100.00			
Yield Taxes	1,818.98			
Interest (include lien)	4,684.11	9,330.20		
Other	365.00			
Previous Year Prepay	12,181.69	4,895.57		
<b>ABATEMENTS MADE:</b>				
Property Taxes	13,737.22	5,153.53		
Yield Taxes	148.96			
<b>CURRENT LEVY DEEDED</b>		572.63		
<b>UNCOLLECTED TAXES—END OF YEAR</b>				
Property Taxes	1,074,495.32			
Yield Taxes	188.05			
Excavation Tax	37.46			
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>\$ 5,564,717.52</b>	<b>\$ 887,839.77</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>



## Tax Collector's MS-61 Report—Year Ending June 30, 2003

## DEBITS

	Last Year's Levy	2001	2000	PRIOR
Unredeemed Liens Balance at Beg. Of Fiscal Year		35,845.65	18,532.87	12,938.71
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	42,465.02			
Interest & Costs Collected	208.78	1,748.17	2,439.20	5,196.73
Variance			79.41	
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>\$ 42,673.80</b>	<b>\$ 37,593.82</b>	<b>\$ 21,051.48</b>	<b>\$ 18,135.44</b>

## CREDITS

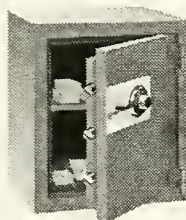
REMITTED TO TREASURER:	Last Year's Levy	2001	2000	PRIOR
Redemptions	1,972.58	16,926.59	8,754.08	10,597.33
Interest & Costs Collected	208.78	1,748.17	2,439.20	5,196.73
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes		220.14	189.91	
Liens Deeded to Municipality		1,253.05	1,024.21	1,745.57
Unredeemed Liens Balance End of Year	40,492.44	17,445.87	8,644.08	595.81
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>\$ 42,673.80</b>	<b>\$ 37,593.82</b>	<b>\$ 21,051.48</b>	<b>\$ 18,135.44</b>

Does your municipality commit taxes on a semi-annual basis (RSA 76:15-a)? YES

TAX COLLECTOR'S SIGNATURE:

*Rita Engenhardt*

DATE: 08/19/2003



## Unredeemed Taxes from Tax Liens—Year Ended June 30, 2003

Property Owner	Map-Lot	Property Address	2002	2001	00 & prior	TOTALS
Aborn, Gage N & Philllis	225-296	13 Eagle Drive	336.51	344.54	303.73	984.78
Arries, Leslie G Jr	215-123	8 Loon Drive	135.37			135.37
Ashbury Properties Ltd.	216-114	1 Old Spring Drive	857.12	1,645.38		2,502.50
Bard, Rose Marie	226-19	161 Yankee Barn Road		228.42	570.72	799.14
Barton, Henry C & Leila M	223-18	237 Pillsbury Road	2,200.58			2,200.58
Batchelder, Lyle A	225-182	4 Bunker Drive	432.08			432.08
Bugbee, Richard M & Hazel B	225-68	19 Wedgewood Drive	199.80			199.80
Cheney, Teri A	216-195	20 Butternut Road	1,075.01			1,075.01
Ciriello, Richard J.	214-91	75 Whitetail Ridge		121.35		121.35
Colt, Jr., Richard E	226-34	286 Route 10 North	1,964.52	2,034.58	1,756.64	5,755.74
Covel, Cynthia A.	238-7	95 Jericho Road	2,075.64			2,075.64
Dance, Samuel & Ariel G	234-120	66 Longwood Drive	369.97			369.97
Gallien, Ryan S & Shannon M	221-52	626 Route 10 North	350.26	799.80	693.05	1,843.11
Garland, Peter H & Elizabeth H	214-7	25 Catamount Road	7,945.24			7,945.24
Hautaniemi, Susan	233-20-1	41 Yankee Barn Road	88.03			88.03
Hill, Marilyn	234-127	Howe Hill Road		45.34		45.34
Marsh, Alan & Beth	216-179	29 Butternut Road		186.11		186.11
Michelson, Glenn Jr	211-38	Tall Timber Drive	233.35			233.35
Miller, Dawn M	221-52-1	Route 10 North	235.59	244.43	441.52	921.54
Partridge, Edward & Deborah L	236-55	88 Stocker Pond Road	2,395.42	2,507.67	2,164.03	7,067.12
Partridge, Edward & Deborah L	235-29	I-89 Springfield Line	113.81			113.81
Rasenas, Roman & Ella	214-38	40 Spring Valley Drive	19.00			19.00
Rice, William & Dorothy	213-32	82 Anderson Pond Road	317.41	324.89	286.65	928.95
Rinaldi, Louise A	211-23	49 Hemlock Lane	1,368.72	1,416.99	639.92	3,425.63
Sanders, Frederick A	211-24	63 Hemlock Lane	1,390.82	792.30		2,183.12
Scanlon, Michael	214-90	73 Whitetail Ridge	1,307.29		1,130.70	2,437.99
Search, Robert D	222-151-004	27 Pleasant Drive	1,378.01			1,378.01
Silk, John D	233-64	50 Longwood Drive	391.47	401.06	352.82	1,145.35
Underhill Jr, Robert K & Jane B	227-15	10 Meadowbrook Road	6,130.56	6,353.01	900.11	13,383.68
Wells, Edward P & Barbara M	227-22	1076 Olde Farms Road	7,180.86			7,180.86
<b>TOTALS</b>			<b>40,492.44</b>	<b>17,445.87</b>	<b>9,239.89</b>	<b>67,178.20</b>

Bankruptcy as of June 30, 2003

Carrier III, Robert Wilson & Carrier, Kathryn Kull—25 Hummingbird Hill—Map 225 Lot 48  
 Rinaldi, Louise—49 Hemlock Lane—Map 211 Lot 23

*Please note that not all of these lien amounts are currently outstanding.*



# Town Treasurer Report July 1, 2002—June 30, 2003

LSB Treasury NOW Acct.	21,301.84
LSB Cash Management Acct. (CMA)	1,980,027.38
NH PDIP	759,599.05
NH PDIP—Landfill Closure Bond (7/18/02)	350,000.00

**BEGINNING OF YEAR TOTAL plus BOND** **\$ 3,110,928.27**

**RECEIPTS:**

Tax Collector	5,387,610.59
Town Clerk	532,622.65
Town Office	242,966.12
Interest Earned	31,413.02

**Total Receipts** **\$ 6,194,612.38**

**Adjustments:**

Refunds	(86.00)
Bank Fees	5.02
Misc. Transfers	40,687.81
Bad Checks	(6,513.96)
Bad Checks Redeposited	5,479.28

**TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS** **39,572.15**

**TOTAL YEAR NET RECEIPTS:** **\$ 6,659,895.14**

**Annual Disbursements Per Order of Selectmen**

Accounts Payable less Refunds	6,168,993.83
Payroll and Benefits	388,681.64
Fed'l 941 Taxes	103,279.01
Less Void Checks	(1,059.34)

**TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:** **\$ 6,659,895.14**

**YEARS NET RECEIPTS OR (DISBURSEMENTS):** **(\$ 425,710.61)**

**END OF YEAR BALANCE:** **\$ 2,685,217.66**

LSB Treasury NOW Acct.	1,862,924.79
LSB Cash Management Acct. (CMA)	0.00
NH PDIP	768,295.34
NH PDIP—Landfill Closure Bond (7/18/02)	53,997.53

*Respectfully submitted, Christopher Morris, Treasurer*

## Trustees of the Trust Funds

Report of the Trust Funds Capital Reserve Funds for year ending June 30, 2003

## PRINCIPAL

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Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	Balance Beginning	PRINCIPAL New Funds	Withdrawals	PRINCIPAL Balance End of Year	
Cemetery Funds								
1 1900-2000	Dunbar Hill	Perpetual Care	LSB ss & cd	3,175.00	-	-	3,175.00	
2 1900-2000	Hilldate	Perpetual Care		4,421.91	-	-	4,421.91	
3	Total Perpetual Care Funds			7,596.91	-	-	7,596.91	
4 1980-2003	Cemetery Maint. Funds	Cemetery Maint.	LSB CD	17,600.00	1,200.00	-	18,800.00	
5	Cemetery Development Fund	Development	LSB CD	3,300.00	300.00	-	3,600.00	
6								
7	TOTAL COMMON FUND #1	Cemeteries		28,496.91	1,500.00	-	29,996.91	
8								
9	OTHER TRUST FUNDS							
10								
11	1891 Grantham School Fund	Grantham School						
12	Sale of Leased Land		SA LSB	623.00	-	-	623.00	
13	1915 Hiram Buswell Fund	Dunbar Library	SA LSB	300.00	-	-	300.00	
14	6/18/85 Glenn Hudson Mem. Fund	Scholarship Fund	SA/CD LSB	2,985.00	-	-	2,985.00	
15	1/30/97 JP & MM English Educ. Fnd.	Educ. Excellence	SA/CD LSB	11,248.43	-	-	11,248.43	
16								
17	Totals Other Trust Funds			15,156.43	-	-	15,156.43	
18								
19	TOWN CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS							
20								
21	5/10/90 Fire Department Apparatus	Fire Apparatus	MBIA 0008	59,100.00	trans to CD	59,100.00	-	
22	5/10/90 Fire Department Apparatus	Fire Trucks, etc.	SRSB CD	-	84,100.00	-	84,100.00	
23	7/17/93 Office Computer	New Computer	MBIA 0010	1,975.00	-	-	1,975.00	
24	12/15/95 Mower Fund	New Mowers	MBIA 0012	6,000.00	1,500.00	-	7,500.00	
25	12/18/98 Police Dept. Console	Radio Equip.	MBIA 0020	30,000.00	-	-	30,000.00	
26	10/18/01 Municipal Bldg Fund	Building Fund	MBIA 0024	100,000.00	25,000.00	-	125,000.00	
27	2/15/00 Highway Equip Fund	Public Works	LSB CD 544	35,000.00	30,000.00	-	65,000.00	
28	8/22/01 Landfill Closure	Close Landfill	MBIA 0023	25,000.00	-	25,000.00	-	
29								
30	TOTAL TOWN CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS							313,575.00



## Report of the Trust Funds Capital Reserve Funds for year ending June 30, 2003

## PRINCIPAL

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Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	Balance Beginning	PRINCIPAL New Funds	Withdrawals	PRINCIPAL Balance End of Year
	TOWN/SCHOOL EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS						
12/15/95	Expendable General Trust	Town Em. Repairs	MBIA 0021	15,085.68	-	-	15,085.68
1/21/97	GV School Expend. Trust	Sch. Em. Repairs	MBIA 0015	28,080.00	-	-	28,080.00
1/31/00	GV Sch. Spec. Ed. Exp. Tr.	Spec. Education	MBIA/LSB CD	30,600.00	25,000.00	31,000.00	24,600.00
	TOTAL TOWN/SCHOOL EXPENDABLE TRUSTS						
				73,765.68	25,000.00	31,000.00	67,765.68
	VILLAGE DISTRICT OF EASTMAN CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS						
3/29/00	Vil.Dis. Of Eastman Truck	One Ton Truck	MBIA 0022	4,000.00	-	-	4,000.00
10/31/02	Vil.Dis. Security Improve.	Improv. Update	MBIA 0026		15,000.00	11,472.77	3,527.23
	TOTAL VILLAGE DISTRICT CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS						
				4,000.00	15,000.00	11,472.77	7,527.23
	VILLAGE DISTRICT EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS						
12/27/95	Vil.Dis. Of Eastman	Gen/Fund Maint.	MBIA 0007	270,981.00	100.00	-	45,981.00
12/27/95	Vil.Dis. Of Eastman	Water Main Maint.	MBIA 0005	200,000.00	Transfer CD	200,000.00	35,000.00
12/27/95	Vil.Dis. Of Eastman	Water Main Maint.	SRSB CD 1yr	-	100,000.00	-	100,000.00
12/27/95	Vil.Dis. Of Eastman	Water Main Maint.	SRSB CD 2yr	-	100,000.00	-	100,000.00
	TOTAL VILLAGE DISTRICT EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS						
				270,981.00	210,000.00	200,000.00	280,981.00
6/30/03	GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS			649,475.02	392,100.00	326,572.77	715,002.25

## INCOME

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Name of Trust Fund		PRINCIPAL Balance End of Year	INCOME Balance Beg. of Year	INCOME during year	Expended during year	INCOME BALANCE End of Year	GRAND TOTAL Principal & Income
Cemetery Funds							
1	Dunbar Hill	3,175.00	2,273.17	98.15	117.76	2,253.56	5,428.56
2	Hilldale	4,421.91	6,797.23	202.11	298.75	6,700.59	11,122.50
3	Total Perpetual Care Funds	7,596.91	9,070.40	300.26	416.51	8,954.15	16,551.06
4	Cemetery Maint. Funds	18,800.00	1,171.47	332.28	1,170.51	333.24	19,133.24
5	Cemetery Development Fund	3,600.00	1,155.56	83.73	-	1,239.29	4,839.29
6							
7	TOTAL COMMON FUND #1	29,996.91	11,397.43	716.27	1,587.02	10,526.68	40,523.59
8							
9	OTHER TRUST FUNDS						
10							
11	Grantham School Fund						
12	Sale of Leased Land	623.00	10.93	3.90	10.93	3.90	626.90
13	Hiram Buswell Fund	300.00	5.26	1.88	5.26	1.88	301.88
14	Glenn Hudson Mem. Fund	2,985.00	114.93	55.87	150.00	20.80	3,005.80
15	JP & MM English Educ. Fnd.	11,248.43	639.76	209.29	500.00	349.05	11,597.48
16							
17	TOTAL OTHER TRUST FUNDS	15,156.43	770.88	270.94	666.19	375.63	15,532.06
18							
19	TOWN CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS						
20							
21	Fire Department Apparatus	-	12,890.28	894.69	13,784.97	-	-
22	Fire Dept. Apparatus	84,100.00	-	14,092.76	-	14,092.76	98,192.76
23	Office Computer	1,975.00	829.03	32.23	-	861.26	2,836.26
24	Mower Fund	7,500.00	1,135.48	95.60	-	1,231.08	8,731.08
25	Police Dept. Console	30,000.00	2,112.79	367.68	-	2,480.47	32,480.47
26	Municipal Bldg.'s Fund	125,000.00	5,691.43	1,444.23	-	7,135.66	132,135.66
27	Highway Equip. Fund	65,000.00	3,187.09	2,043.70	-	5,230.79	70,230.79
28	Landfill Closure	-	425.56	67.25	492.81	-	-
29							
30	TOTAL TOWN CAP. RES. FUNDS	313,575.00	26,271.66	19,038.14	14,277.78	31,032.02	344,607.02

## INCOME

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Name of Trust Fund	PRINCIPAL Balance End of Year	INCOME Balance Beg. of Year	INCOME During Year	Expended During Year	INCOME BALANCE End of Year	GRAND TOTAL Principal & Income
TOWN/SCHOOL EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS						
Expendable General Trust	15,085.68	3,890.92	217.29	-	4,108.21	19,193.89
GV School Expend. Trust	28,080.00	6,530.73	396.35	-	6,927.08	35,007.08
GV Sch. Spec. Ed. Exp. Trust	24,600.00	3,581.64	559.20	-	4,140.84	28,740.84
TOTAL T/S EXP. TRUST	67,765.68	14,003.29	1,172.84	-	15,176.13	82,941.81
VILLAGE DISTRICT OF EASTMAN CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS						
Vil. Dis. Of Eastman Truck	4,000.00	108.39	47.05	-	155.44	4,155.44
Vil. Dis. Security Improve.	3,527.23	-	35.83	-	35.83	3,563.06
TOTAL VIL.DIS. CAP. RES. FUNDS	7,527.23	108.39	82.88	-	191.27	7,718.50
VILLAGE DISTRICT EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS						
Vil. Dis. Of Eastman	45,981.00	7,858.19	563.48	-	8,421.67	54,402.67
Vil. Dis. Of Eastman	35,000.00	41,509.77	2,830.80	-	44,340.57	79,340.57
Vil. Dis. Of Eastman	100,000.00	-	359.64	-	359.64	100,359.64
Vil. Dis. Of Eastman	100,000.00	-	418.25	-	418.25	100,418.25
TOTAL VIL.DIS. EXP. TRUST FUNDS	280,981.00	49,367.96	4,172.17	-	53,540.13	334,521.13
GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS 6/30/03	715,002.25	101,919.61	25,453.24	16,530.99	110,841.86	825,844.11



## Cemetery Trustees

Cemetery Trustees, Dennis Howard, Warren Kimball and Thomas “Ed” Buckman held two meetings between July 1, 2002 and June 30, 2003. The actions taken at the October 2002 meeting were reported in the 2002 Annual Town Report and can be found on page 64 of that report. These actions included changes in the Cemetery Regulations relative to monument placement and related fees.

There has been no additional information regarding the public interest in establishing alternative burial sites such as a “Memorial Garden” or Columbarium.

The Trustees have developed a Burial Location Record form to be completed by the cemetery sexton at the time of burials in the Grantham Memorial Cemetery. A copy of this record is to be attached to the Lot Deed to assist with future burials in the family lot.

The Trustees would like to remind owners of cemetery lots that it is important to contact the Cemetery Sexton to make arrangements for burials and for installation of monuments and markers.

The Cemetery Trustees, with the help of Sarah Barton, calculated the maintenance costs and submitted information to the Trustee of Trust Funds for withdrawals from the Perpetual Care and Maintenance Trust Funds in the amount of \$601.65. This money goes into the Town’s General Fund.

We extend our appreciation of the Town Office Staff, the Public Works Department, Joey Holmes for placing Memorial Flags, Warren Legacy, Cemetery Sexton and the families that faithfully help us honor and care for our departed loved ones in our cemeteries.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Cemetery Trustees: Thomas Buckman, Chairman; Dennis W. Howard, Bookkeeper; G. Warren Kimball*

*Sexton: Warren Legacy*

### Sexton’s Report

**Lots Sold**—7/1/02—6/30/03: Eight lots for four families.

**Burials in Memorial Cemetery:**

- Helen Eigenbrode
- Gladys Elizabeth Swensen
- Joseph R. Donnelly
- Stanley Currier
- Arthur Carver



## Cemetery Bookkeeper's Report

June 30, 2002—June 30, 2003

Balance on hand June 30, 2002		\$608.31
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Old Graveyard Restoration Fund	\$243.05	
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Undesignated Fund	<u>365.26</u>	
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<b>Total Available Funds, 6/30/01</b>	<b>\$608.31</b>	
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Receipts: None

Total Balance & Receipts		\$608.31
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Disbursements:

Old Graveyards—Mt. Cem. Cleanup	\$ 50.00	
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NHOGA Dues	7.00	
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Total Disbursements		<u>57.00</u>
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Balance on hand, June 30, 2003		<u>\$551.31</u>
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Old Graveyard Restoration Fund	\$193.05	
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Undesignated Fund	<u>358.26</u>	
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<b>Total Available Funds, 6/30/03</b>	<b><u>\$551.31</u></b>	
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Submitted by,

Dennis W. Howard, Bookkeeper



## Grantham Historical Society

2003 was a year of disappointments and some success.

We applied for two grants, one from the NH Library Fund and one from the Moose Plate Fund. We were turned down for both but we can apply again. Two projects, one to place informational posters at the I-89 Rest Area in Springfield, and another to produce a commemorative coin for Grantham did not come to fruition, but we are still working on both.

Our successes were three. First, the town voted to return \$5,000 that had been voted in the early 1990s for the society but never used. Second, by the efforts of Jutta Cords, a highly skilled expert on textiles and restoration named Deborah Bede, who operates a textile conservation studio in Bradford, NH, was located. Ms. Bede worked on the Grantham militia flag and prepared it for display on a metal panel in an oak case, and the flag is now at the Dunbar Free Library, where the public may view it and appreciate Ms. Bede's craftsmanship. Third, Albert Smith of the Croydon Historical Society, computerized and formatted Grantham census records from 1790-1930 (excepting 1890) and put them in a book which is now in the archives room at the town office and open to inspection on Friday afternoons from 1 to 4 p.m. This book is a trove of information about Grantham history, and we owe Mr. Smith a great deal for his labors.

We had several speakers during the year. Alan Hanscom, NH Highway supervisor at Exit 16, I-89, spoke to us about the new rest area and agreed to assist us in getting posters about Grantham, Springfield, and Croydon displayed. Supt. Gordon Schnare and School Board member Don Gobin spoke about the school budget and problems facing the school. Selectman Connie Jones discussed the town budget and future town problems. Laurie Field told of Grantham's 2003 Old Home Day plans. Due to a number of factors, the society members were not able to take part in that event. Muriel Tinkham of the Springfield Historical Society told of the history of that town (originally called Protectoworth) at our annual May meeting. Diane Shagoury, who owns a large tract of land around the east side of Butternut Pond, told of her efforts to clear old cellar holes and building sites and her research into families and land ownership in that area.

The Society would like to extend condolences to the Bryniarski family for the sudden loss of Albert Bryniarski. He took a great interest in Grantham history and town affairs. He will be missed. Also our sympathies to Mort Shea for the injuries he suffered in the January 2003 paddle tennis court explosion. He is a highly valued member of our society, giving us much needed advice.

Also, we want to thank those who gave something extra to the society: Jutta Cords, for finding Ms. Bede to work on the militia flag and hosting meetings and luncheons. Bob Champagne for his hard work writing grant applications and the financial contributions he arranged through his former employer, Aetna Insurance, and his liaison work with Ms. Bede. Albert Smith, for his help and input, and Kathi Osgood, for transporting the militia flag.

The Grantham Historical Society meets eight times a year. At 7 p.m., on the third Thursday in April, September and October; at 1 p.m. on the third Saturday in January, February, March and November. The annual meeting with pot-luck supper and guest speaker is at 6 p.m., on the third Thursday in May. All meetings are in the Main Street Town Hall.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Allen W. Walker, President*

*Militia Flag*



## Town Archivist

Grantham Town Archives: Town Clerk's Office, 34 Dunbar Hill Road  
Hours open to the public; Friday from 1 P.M. to 4 P.M.

Interested in learning about the history of the town, locating and naming cellar holes, tracing your family roots or finding papers and dates for a local news or school article about the town? Please do come to the Archives (located in the Town Clerk's Office) on Friday afternoons to meet with Allen Walker, President of the Grantham Historical Society and/or me, the Town Archivist. We can help you search through a wealth of material, such as the Grantham Vital Statistics, early school records, Grange material and an 1850 Agriculture Town Census.

We have assisted many families in researching their Grantham ancestors. In turn, we create additional folders on individual early settlers and families to help future researchers find data on the families. A few of the families that were researched this past year were Smith, Fay, Coburn, Walker, Fisher, and Nichols.

2003 was a productive year for adding new and interesting material. The Archives assisted the Grantham Historical Society in preserving Grantham's Militia Flag (ca. 1840). The flag is now displayed at the Dunbar Free Library. To accompany this artifact, we compiled a history of the flag as well as identifying some of the soldiers in the Militia. This information is also displayed at the Library, as well as included in the Archives. A big thank you to Albert 'Bert' Smith of Croydon who organized the Grantham Census (1790 to 1930) and printed out documents for easy perusal. We are grateful to have received from donors slides of early Eastman and two early maps: William Leavitt's original plan of Grantham, and Grantham circa 1844-1870.

We're looking forward to assisting you in your archival research, and as always, appreciate any documents or material related to Grantham's history.

*Lea Frey, Town Archivist*



Main Street and Stores, Grantham, N. H.



Main Street Grantham—Looking North & South



## Road Agent's Report

What a year this has been! The population of Grantham is continuing to grow!

I believe we've approved more driveway permits this year than in any previous year that I can remember.

Driveway Permits Issued	
2002	2003
15	29

This growth has an effect on road conditions and because of the higher amounts of traffic on most of our roads, we have started to pursue a little bit more aggressive road maintenance and paving program.

Last year Stoney Brook Road was prepped and paved from the previous year's budget. After July 1st we began work on Walker Road and New Aldrich Road to ready them for paving in October.



The notorious beavers were back with a vengeance in Olde Farms. As soon as we opened the culverts up they would have them dammed back up within a day or so. We finally had no choice but to have a local trapper handle the situation.

After school was out for the summer we spread approximately 200 cubic yards of top soil on the playground ball field, dressed it off and rented a hydroseeder, re-fertilized and reseeded the ball field with excellent results.

The usual road maintenance was performed changing culverts, grading roads, spreading chloride and crushed gravel and many other tasks that are required as the town continues to grow.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Joseph Newcomb, Road Agent  
Jeffrey Hastings, Asst. Road Agent*



*The weather may be snow or  
sun but we'll do our best to  
get the job done!*





## Transfer Station Report

### Transfer Station Solid Waste Costs

Month	# of Hauls	Hauling Cost	Tonnage	Incinerator Cost	Total Cost
July '02	9	\$1,350	113	\$9,831	\$11,181
August '02	8	1,200	113	9,831	11,031
September '02	9	1,350	104	9,048	10,398
October '02	10	1,500	90	7,830	9,330
November '02	9	1,350	96	8,352	9,702
December '02	10	1,500	82	7,134	8,634
January '03	10	1,500	87	7,569	9,069
February '03	8	1,200	68	910	7,116
March '03	9	1,350	84	"	8,658
April '03	8	1,200	81	"	8,247
May '03	9	1,350	98	8,526	9,876
June '03	9	1,350	107	9,309	10,659
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>\$16,200</b>	<b>1,123</b>	<b>\$97,701</b>	<b>\$113,901</b>



Recycling Revenues  
July '02—June '03  
\$6,847.45

### Construction Debris Disposal Costs

Month	# of Hauls	Hauling Cost	Tonnage	Disposal Cost	Total Cost
July '02	6	'0	30	\$2,250	\$2,790
August '02	5	"	44	3,300	3,750
September '02	6	"	41	3,075	3,615
October '02	"	"	39	2,925	3,465
November '02	4	500	21	1,575	1,935
December '02	3	270	13	975	1,245
January '03	2	180	9	675	855
February '03	2	180	9	675	855
March '03	3	270	14	1,050	1,320
April '03	3	270	13	975	1,245
May '03	7	630	33	2,475	3,105
June '03	7	630	32	2,400	3,030
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>\$4,860</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>\$22,350</b>	<b>\$27,210</b>



Attendants Phil & Linda

Thanks for keeping the  
Transfer Station  
running smooth!

## NH/VT Solid Waste Project & SCRRDD

Over the course of this last year a great deal of activity has taken place. The following is offered so that you will have an understanding as to the amount of trash that we generate, how we compare to our neighbors and what is happening relative to how we can expect to dispose of our trash in the future.

In 2003 we sent 1,358 tons of trash to the incinerator in Claremont. That was a 2.2% increase over 2002 but well below the 5.2% average increase of the total tonnage for all of the NH member communities. Without a doubt the community's strong support of our recycling program was the primary reason for this fine showing. This program not only generates significant monies from its resale of recyclables but it also saves approximately \$105.<sup>00</sup> for each ton of growth that was avoided. You also need to be aware that your efforts in recycling in general have a very positive affect on the overall cost of trash disposal in our community and that it helps to control our town operating budget.

Those of you who read the Argus-Champion have seen various articles on both the closed landfill in Newport and the incinerator in Claremont. Many of these articles would have you believe that they both are accidents waiting to happen. Nothing could be further from the truth. Both of these sites are directly under the supervision of the NH Dept. of Environmental Services. This agency has established standards that are intended to assure that our environment is protected. There has not been any significant breach in these standards to date. The landfill was closed and capped in 2001 and all residues are now taken to an approved site in Shrewsbury, Massachusetts. The Newport site will be monitored through 2031 and a Trust Fund is in place, with a value of approximately one million dollars, to pay the cost of monitoring during that period. Wheelabrator Division of Waste Management Corp. operates the Incinerator. They have a lease that gives them the right to operate at the site until 2007 and there are two ten-year extensions of the lease available to them. They have indicated that they intended to exercise the full extent of the lease. Thus a source of disposal for our trash will be available until at least 2027. However, the present contract that is with the NH/VT SWP expires in July 2007 and will more than likely not be renewed at that time. The reason for this is that the Vermont Communities, along with many NH Communities, have indicated that they will more than likely withdraw from membership in the Project. The result of this will be that we will need to reassess how we wish to dispose of our trash with cost being a concern.

Should you have any questions, please bring them to Town Meeting where there will be an opportunity to have them addressed.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Arthur Magowan  
NH/VT SWP & SCRRDD Representative*



## Police Department Report

*“The present is the necessary product of all the past,  
the necessary cause of all the future.”*

Robert G. Ingersoll

Dear Residents,

Take a look on almost any street in Grantham and you will see a new home or business where there wasn't one last year. If you have been living in town for at least the past 5 years, you have seen many changes, and if you have been living here for 15 or more years, the changes are amazing. It only stands to reason that with the steady growth in population over the past 15 years, the police department has had a steady increase in calls for service for the past 15 years.

Our total number of calls for service last year was 669 plus 479 citations written for traffic-related violations and 17 motor vehicle accidents involving damage over \$1,000 or personal injury, for a total number of incidents of approximately 1,165.

The calls we handled covered a wide range of offenses. Yes, we handle dog complaints and, yes, we issue traffic citations, but we handle criminal matters and the investigations of those crimes. How many times have I heard a resident say, “that type of thing just does not happen in Grantham!” In the past year, we have handled both first degree and simple assaults, criminal threatening, harassment, burglaries/breaking and entering, numerous thefts, criminal mischief, runaway juveniles, criminal trespass, and domestic disputes, to name a few. Many of these cases have required extensive hours of investigation time, including interviewing of witnesses, victims and suspects and, ultimately, in making arrests. So, “that type of thing” *does* happen in Grantham and the instances of “that type of thing” happening in Grantham have increased steadily in the 16 years that I have been Chief of Police. No, crime is not running rampant in Grantham, but offenses of a more serious nature have increased steadily along with the steady increase in population. It stands to reason.

We do our very best to keep up, however, it is becoming more and more difficult. Grantham has grown and yet the police department has not. In fact, the police department has shrunk in the sense that, over the past 16 years, additional personnel have been hired yet the police department facility has remained unchanged. To say that our present facility is inadequate is a gross understatement.

Grantham is fortunate to have a highly competent police force – the best, I believe. We have had no personnel changes at the police department over the past year, however, Officer Jenkins has had an addition to his family and her name is Lauren, born in October, 2002. We congratulate him!

In March 2004, the town will, once again, present a plan for a new police department. This year, the plan is for a new Town Building which will house the town offices, the SAU and the police department. I have seen preliminary plans and believe them to be very well thought out and a very good plan for the town and police department. Grantham is a great town to live, work and play in and a great place to raise a family. A good infrastructure to house both town and safety services is critical as a means of keeping Grantham safe and current for us now and also for future generations of Grantham residents.

Please feel free to stop by the police department anytime as I would welcome any questions or comments that you may have, or, simply to chat.

*Respectfully submitted,*  
*Police Chief Russell E. Lary*



## Grantham Police Department

Jurisdictions: ALL  
 Location: ALL  
 Street: ALL  
 Zones: ALL  
 Citation Action: ALL  
 Officers: ALL

## CITATION STATISTICS

## Violation Breakdown

From: 07/01/2002 Thru: 06/30/2003

State	Law	Fine	Total	Civil	Warnings	Verbal	Arrests	Criminal	Totals
		0.00	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
261 / 176		72.00	0	7	1	1	0	0	9
261 / 40		288.00	0	3	0	4	0	0	7
263 / 1		0.00	0	1	0	5	0	0	6
263 / 9		0.00	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
265 / 10		0.00	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
265 / 107-A		0.00	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
265 / 109		0.00	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
265 / 114		0.00	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
265 / 20		72.00	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
265 / 22		72.00	0	5	0	1	0	0	6
265 / 25		72.00	0	4	0	1	0	0	5
265 / 30		0.00	0	9	1	0	0	0	10
265 / 31		576.00	0	20	0	9	0	0	29
265 / 32		0.00	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
265 / 60		4737.60	0	12	0	71	0	0	83
265 / 60, I		172.80	0	214	2	4	0	0	220
265 / 60, II		3211.20	0	3	0	66	0	0	69
266 / 1		43.20	0	5	0	1	0	0	6
266 / 31		0.00	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
266 / 38		0.00	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
266 / 4		0.00	0	5	1	0	0	0	6
266 / 44		43.20	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
266 / 5		129.60	0	2	0	3	0	0	5
266 / 57		0.00	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
270-D / 5		0.00	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
CSR / 36 / 1		0.00	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>9489.60</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>304</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>479</b>	



Deputy Chief Jerry Whitney  
on Parade Duty



## Planning Board

Annexation/Merger		
AUGUST FAMILY	M 216 L 91 & 104	Chickadee Lane
BLAIS	M 216 L 208 & 209	Anderson Pond Road
CHAFFEE	M 223 L 54 & 55	Whitetail Ridge
HOCH	M 223 L 45 & 46	Whitetail Ridge
LOTHROP	M 215 L 187 & 188	Morning Hollow
LUTZ	M 223 L 11 & 12	Deer Run
MARSH	M 213 L 71 & 72	Beaver Fells Glen
MARTEL	M 213 L 40 & 41	Anderson Pond Road
MILAUSKAS	M 222 L 9 & 10	Double Diamond Drive
PARKER & MAGAGNA	M 213 L 4 & 5	Ash Lane
PARRA	M 215 L 126 & 127	Bright Slope Way

Site Plan Review		
ECA	M 225 L 54	Comfort Station—14th Fairway
ECA	M 225 L 307	Comfort Station—5th Fairway
Johnson & Dix Fuel Corp	M 233 L 27	Additional Fuel Pumps
Rumbrook Plaza	M 226 L 21	Enchanted Pet & Aquarium
Sawyer Brook Plaza	M 233 L 26	Seasons Gifts & Home Comforts
Sawyer Brook Plaza	M 233 L 26	Post Mastectomy Boutique
Yankee Barn Homes	M 226 L 15	Shed
Yankee Barn Homes	M 226 L 15	Addition

Subdivision			
BEST	M 227 L 3	Dunbar Hill Road	Major—9 lots
CEC/BITTINGER ASSOC.	M 222 L 26	Clearwater Drive	Major—5 lots
NODAGOR	M 235 L 27	Route 114	Major—5 lots
ROWLAND REVOC TRUST	M 216 L 11	Route 10 North	Minor—2 lots
WEBB	M 237 L 54	Cote Road	Major—2 lots

Boundary Line Adjustment		
BEST	M 227 L 29	Dunbar Hill Road
COBURN	M 211 L 71 & 77	Miller Pond Road
LAURIE	M 216 L 40	Burpee Hill Road

## Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission

The UVLSRPC is a not-for-profit association of 30 communities in Vermont and New Hampshire. We provide a mechanism for communities that live, work and recreate together in the Upper Valley, Sullivan County and Lake Sunapee area to work together on issues of common concern. Each year we strive to focus on activities that will best meet the needs of each of these three areas, while we balance the differing concerns of larger and smaller communities. Your community's membership in UVLSRPC provides you with a voice in regional activities, as well as decision-making at the state level in both states that affect the future of your community.

We provide the communities of the region a mechanism to work together toward balanced growth, in part by developing and implementing a comprehensive regional plan. In 2003, we completed work on both a new Regional Transportation Plan and new Economic Development element for the Regional Plan, as well as updates on Population Trends and Natural & Scenic Resources.

We appreciate the high level of participation and support we receive from our communities, and look forward to continuing to serve the needs of the region in the coming year. We count on feedback from the Commissioners each community appoints, as well as local officials and residents, to ensure that our work program focuses on regional issues that are of the highest priority to you. In addition, this year we have established a new committee to enhance the exchange of information with member communities. Please feel free to contact us at (603) 448-1680 or [info@uvlsrpc.org](mailto:info@uvlsrpc.org) to share your thoughts.

*Tara E. Banford, Executive Director*

## Master Plan Committee

The 1993 Grantham Master Plan became due for updating in 2003, and a subcommittee of the Planning Board, known as the Master Plan Committee, was organized in February with eight members.

In the course of monthly meetings, the Committee members familiarized themselves with the New Hampshire statutory provisions for Master Plans, the Grantham land-use regulations (Subdivision Regulations, Zoning Ordinance, and Site-Plan Review Regulations), and the role that may be played by the Upper Valley-Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission (UVLSRPC). Consultation with the Planning Board occurred in early April, and the Committee met with representatives of the UVLSRPC.

By the end of the reporting year, there were two important milestones reached. First, the Committee recommended to the Board of Selectmen, and the Board subsequently acted favorably, to have a "Build-Out Analysis" performed by the UVLSRPC, which will delineate the remaining areas of Grantham that could support development, and provide quantitative data regarding the potential number of new housing units and the associated population increase that would result. This Build-Out Analysis is due for completion in 2004. The second milestone was to initiate work on a Community Survey, to be distributed to residents and property owners seeking their ideas and preferences for the future of the Town.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Kevin Carey, Kristina Burgard, Alan Tanenbaum, Conrad Frey, Connie Howard, Patricia Short, Andy Anderson, Fred Vogt, Doug Demers, Larry Fuller*

## Zoning Board of Adjustment

The Zoning Board of Adjustment had three applications this past fiscal year and drafted two Warrant Articles to amend the zoning ordinances. One Warrant Article revised and expanded the regulations and area for construction of cellular telecommunications towers while the other redefined the special exception definition on restaurants. An overwhelming majority at the Annual Town Meeting granted approval for these two Warrant Articles.

An application for a special exception was made in August for construction of a senior housing complex on Clearwater Drive adjacent to the Eastman community. The applicant first had to demonstrate that a variance was acceptable concerning the proposed height of the building that exceeded the 34-foot limit specified in the Zoning Ordinance. This was granted after testimony by the Fire Chief demonstrated that evacuation in the event of fire would not create a problem because of the slightly higher roofline. The request for the special exception was then discussed. The application was denied because a traffic study had not been undertaken to demonstrate whether or not a hazard might be created due to increased vehicular traffic turning into Road Round the Bend. The applicant subsequently conducted a traffic study and revised the design of the complex but did not submit the new plan to the Board for approval.

An application was made to combine a number of undersized lots at Miller Pond to form a larger lot for construction of a residence. These small lots were non-conforming permitting a residence on each of these lots. The Board granted the applicant a variance for a single residence on the combined lots.

The application for a cellular communications tower to be placed in the Rural/Residential District on Barton Hill (East Grantham) was mentioned in last year's Annual Report. The applicant, IWO/Sprint originally applied in June 2002 and came back to the Board in October to discuss the results of the balloon test and why the existing tower structure at Grantham Indoor could not be utilized. In this meeting several propagation maps were presented by consultants hired by the Board and by the owner of the tower at Grantham Indoor showing adequate coverage from that site. IWO/Sprint requested a continuation for the hearing to December, but cancelled their hearing and subsequently withdrew their application in January 2003.

As always, I would like to thank the members of the Board for their time and efforts in applying the Zoning Ordinances and the intent of the Master Plan. The Board owes a debt of gratitude to Sarah Barton for her continued smooth handling of the administrative matters for the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

*Respectively submitted,*  
*Conrad F. Frey*





## Conservation Commission

2003 has been a year of transition for the Commission. With the significant upswing in construction in all areas of Grantham, The Commission has seen its level of activity double as shoreline protection and wetlands issues have multiplied. This has been brought on by a vast increase in new construction in Grantham as the town population continues to grow. Within the Eastman Community, the most desirable land for development has been developed, leaving marginal areas. The continued interest in Eastman has brought a surge in development of these marginal areas with their attendant problems of surface water flows, difficult topography and proximity to the protected waters of Eastman Lake and Anderson Pond. The Commission continues to work closely with the Eastman Community in resolving development conflicts and minimizing the impact to the lakes.

Within the rest of Grantham, wetlands issues continue to confront the Commission as development continues. In several cases, property development has been undertaken without important consideration of the existing wetlands and surface water flow. These property owners now must contend with problems that are major headaches, sometimes directed as cures for contractor/owner oversights by New Hampshire Environmental Services. The Board of Selectmen has prudently approved the hiring of a Building Permit Supervisor to oversee the construction process from ermitting to completion of the project. This action brings with it a positive review process that includes the Conservation Commission for oversight of wetlands and shoreland issues before the owner/contractor begins work. This should reduce the type of problems experienced during 2003.

The Commission counts among its accomplishments the inclusion of 438 acres of additional conservation land within Grantham. This land, acquired from the Cote-Reney families by the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forest (SPNHF) through very significant donations from the Grantham community, represents establishment of a major recreational area within Grantham to be shared by all. The formal dedication took place in October 2003 by SPNHF.

The year was also one of sadness. In July, long time member Jerry Ellsworth lost his battle with cancer. The commission misses Jerry's sage comments and experience during our meetings. His willingness to go anywhere at anytime to explore problems and work solutions was appreciated. Jerry may be gone but his conservation ideas and ideals give direction to our endeavors.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*The Grantham Conservation Commission Members*

*Richard Hocker, Patricia Short, Jessica Jansujwicz, Mike Holdowsky, Andy Eastman, Adele Furdyna*

### Treasurer's Report—Conservation Commission Accounts

NHPDIP	\$19,970.80
LSB Savings Acct.	\$20,721.65
Sherwood Forest NHPDIP	\$ 3,727.64
Sherwood Forest LSB Passbook	\$ 139.20



## Dunbar Free Library

During FY 2003, the library extended its Saturday hours increasing weekly hours from 34 to 36. The library is now open on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.; Friday 9 a.m. to noon; and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The library has remained closed on Tuesdays and Sundays. In FY 2003, the library had 1,658 registered borrowers. This was a 19% increase from FY 2002. In FY 2003, 26 of the borrowers were non-residents.

Attendance and circulation has risen even more this year than last. During the past year 18,282 visitors came to the library. This was 20% more than FY 2002. Circulation for the FY 2003 totaled 37,955 with an increase of 15% from the previous year. In FY 2003, 21,929 adult items and 12,514 children's items were checked out of the library. Due to the growing number of book clubs in Grantham Joey has been keeping very busy lending and borrowing books from libraries all over New Hampshire. The Dunbar Free Library requested 704 books from other libraries and loaned out 318 items. This year we borrowed 19% more and lent out 42% more books than last year.

The collection of materials in the library has been growing and changing. In FY 2003, 2,094 books, 218 videotapes, and 153 audiotapes were added to the collection. Although 2,465 items were added, the collection size only increased by about 1,000 due to the weeding of unused and outdated materials. The total collection numbered 19,780 items at the end of FY 2003. This year we increased the audio books on cassette and introduced a new form of media by purchasing 25 new books on CD.

During the FY 2003 the public computer terminals were busier than ever. The computers were used 688 time this year, averaging 13 computer users each week. Similar to FY 2001 and 2002, the summer months proved to be the busiest with many out-of-town visitors checking their e-mail. A new computer was purchased for the office this year and all others were appropriately rotated so that the fastest ones were put where they were needed most.

In FY 2003 the library offered programs for all ages. Joel and Ada Getman started a new weekly reading program called Bookmunchers' Café for grades 3-4. This successful program had a total attendance of 194 children. Carla Boyington continued to have Storytime on Wednesday mornings for the preschoolers in the area. The attendance for this program totaled 839 parents and toddlers. Bonnie Miller coordinated the 2002 Summer Reading Program featuring the theme "Lions and Tigers and Books, Oh My!" There were 68 children who participated in this program weekly.

During the past year, the library hosted monthly craft programs sponsored by the Friends of the Dunbar Free Library. Attendance throughout the year totaled 38 for these programs. The Grantham Historical Society came and hosted two storytelling programs for children of all ages. New this year was the addition of teen programs. The library hosted 6 teen programs including an on going Mother/Daughter book discussion group. Attendance for all programs offered this year was 1636, an increase of 25% from FY 2002.

The library had 42 volunteers who generously gave their time during this FY. The tasks these volunteers perform contribute greatly to the library's services. Among many other duties, volunteers work the circulation desk, process, shelve, and repair books. Everything that they do is essential to the success of the

library and we thank all of the people who give their time and energies.

The Friends of the Dunbar Library continue to contribute to the library in numerous ways. To raise money this year the friends held several events including The Hummingbird Hill Trio concert, a book sale, an Off-Off Broadway Deli Dinner Theatre show, and a cookie walk. In addition to these events the friends continue to sell library logo mugs and tote bags to support the library. Among the items purchased this year by the Friends group were a new book cart and a paperback bookrack. The Friends also support the monthly craft programs, continue to sponsor all children's programs and the children's Give-A-Book program.

Thank you to the town of Grantham for your support. Your support is evident in the abundant use of the library and once again you have all proven how important The Dunbar Free Library has become to this community.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Carla R. Boyington, Librarian*



Bobbi Travis, Carla Boyington, B. Joey Holmes





## Dunbar Free Library—Treasurer's Report

July 2002-June 2003

### Checking Account

Starting Balance (July 1, 2002)	\$ 7,026.26
Income	6,707.53
Expense	4,042.34
<i>End Balance (June 30, 2003)</i>	<i>\$ 9,691.45</i>

### Convenience Account (A.G. Edwards)

Starting Balance (July 1, 2002)	\$ 9,039.25
Income	109.89
Expense	0.00
<i>End Balance</i>	<i>\$ 9,149.14</i>

### Savings Account

#### End Balance

Fines and Lost Books	\$ 2,322.43
Special Account	\$ 4,998.10
Joyce S. Andrews Memorial Flower Account	\$ 2,561.06
Building Account	\$ 1,540.04

### Dunbar Free Library- Operating Budget July 1, 2002 to June 30, 2003

Budget	\$ 98,531.00
Expenditures	97,111.55
<i>Remainder</i>	<i>\$ 1,419.45</i>

*Respectfully Submitted,*  
*John B. Trethaway, Treasurer*



## Dunbar Free Library Trustees Report

The Library Board welcomed two new members during 2003, Donald Kreis and Patrick O'Bryan. Board member Cathy Seavey decided to step down as Co-Chairperson after three years of service and was replaced by Donald Kreis, while Patrick filled the opening created by outgoing Board member Sheara Bailey. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Sheara and Cathy for their work and dedication to the Dunbar Free Library.

The Board continued its work creating, reviewing and updating policies. Last year we concentrated on creating a personnel policy for library employees. This year we have adopted the following revised mission statement, which forms the foundation for all library activities.

*"The Dunbar Free Library is a free resource to all residents in the town of Grantham. We encourage and provide opportunities for lifelong learning and cultural enrichment for all families and individuals. The Dunbar Free Library supports the expanding and diverse needs of the community by offering information for practical living related to work, school, and personal life. We strive to maintain high interest and current materials along with latest technological resources. We serve as a community center that offers materials and programs for adults, young adults, and children."*

The revised mission statement is the result of work by a subcommittee formed to develop a new 3-year plan. The Board would like to recognize community members Susan Wren and Cindy Towle who have been working with Patrick O'Bryan and Librarian/Director Carla Boyington to complete the plan.

Donald and Carla have reviewed the newly instituted Patriot Act and the implications it may have on patron information requested and retained by the Library. Based on this review, we are preparing an updated Policy on Use and Confidentiality of Information. These discussions have also been a springboard to initiate a review of the Internet/Computer Use Policy at the DFL. These reviews will evolve into updated formal written policies during 2004.

Members of the Library Board of Trustees have many people to thank for a successful year in 2003. We, as a community, are extremely fortunate to have competent and devoted staff members, Carla Boyington, Joey Holmes, and Bobbie Travis. They are key in making our library a vital resource responsive to everyone. We would also like to thank Tina Stearns and Sarah Barton in the Selectmen's Office for their ongoing support of the financial operations of the Library. Finally, we gratefully acknowledge the continuing support by volunteers, Friends, and taxpayers of Grantham. Without this support the DFL would be unable to provide high quality programs and materials to our community.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Hope Miller  
Donna Stamper  
John Trethaway  
Patrick O'Bryan  
Donald Kreis*



## Health Officer

During the course of this year all inspections that were performed were approved. In general this was a good health year.

Just as the West Nile Virus season was coming to a close there was a reported human case in the state. There is a growing concern that we should use all precautions necessary to prevent getting bitten by mosquitoes. This includes not leaving any standing water for them to breed in as well as using DEET (Read the Label for proper application and warnings,) and dressing in long sleeves and pants during the morning and evening hours when mosquitoes are more active.

As of this writing in December there is great concern over the chance of a flu epidemic by a virus known as A Fujian H3N2. This was not included in our flu shots, but it may give some protection. The 11 deaths so far were all in children in Colorado and Texas. I hope everyone availed themselves of the flu vaccination this fall and also in the coming years. Frequent hand washing is one of the best preventatives.

SARS coronavirus is the common cause of this upper respiratory illness. It may be mild to moderate and about 10 to 20% may need mechanical ventilation. This virus can live in the environment for as long as three hours. The incubation period is from 2 to 7 days. Signs and symptoms include temperature of 100.4 F (38 C), headache, body aches, and dry cough. Droplet infection is the prime route (coughing and sneezing) and inhaling these droplets. There is research going on to find appropriate anti-viral treatment regimens.

Rabies is also a concern. All cats and dogs should be vaccinated (State Law) against Rabies and kept current. Avoid attracting wild animals and certainly don't approach any strange acting domestic or wild animal; call animal control (Police). Raccoons, red fox and bats have been the principle carriers. There is a vaccination for prevention in humans, but unfortunately once it is contracted there is no therapy to prevent death.

My last reminder is to be aware of your septic system. Proper maintenance is important. Cleaning every 2 to 3 years and not using it as a catch-all (garbage disposals). Take the items to Mount Trashmore or to a proper compost containment.

I would like to take this opportunity of thanking the Selectmen for allowing me to be the Health Officer since 1992. I have enjoyed this facet of Public Health as I did my 33 years of gynecology. I also want to thank Dr. Dave Frucht who has been willing to take over the position.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Kenneth J. Kerwin, MD FACS FACOG*





## Emergency Management Director

2003 was a busy year for all departments here in Grantham responding to all types of emergency situations, some minor and limited in scope, and some major events, but none that required us to activate our local E.O.C. (Emergency Operations Center). As Grantham continues to grow, (*one of the fastest growing towns in New Hampshire*) we continue to be prepared, trained, with equipment, and plans to act for the safety and welfare of all the residents of Grantham.

Hopefully every time you see or hear about a disaster it makes you stop and think, “What if that was me or my family?” But what have you done to get yourself and your family ready? The best thing you can do to deal with any type of disaster is: Be Aware—Be Prepared—and Have a Plan.

There is a manual put out by Fedhealth called, “It’s A Disaster, and what are YOU gonna do about it?” We can purchase these in bulk, and are planning a fundraiser for the school children, with samples available at the March Town Meeting. For more information visit: [www.fedhealth.net](http://www.fedhealth.net) Stay posted!

Grantham received a funds in the amount of \$6,750.00 from the State of New Hampshire for a 20KW 200 amp generator which we have purchased through LaValley’s Building Supply. The generator was delivered in December and mounted on a portable trailer built by Jeffrey Hastings, Asst. Road Agent, an excellent job I might add, and is being stored at the Fire Station until a permanent location can be located.

Our new State of NH Field Representative is Pete Petschik. Pete replaces Nancy St. Laurent. I have had quite a few meetings with Pete since he came on board in mid-year and have found him to be an excellent source of information and training needs in the event of an emergency. My thanks to Pete.

An ongoing concern to me, the school, school board, police, fire and FAST squad, is only one entrance/exit. This is a situation that must be addressed. We began meeting back in April 2003, with concerns that if a major incident occurred blocking this entrance/exit how do we deal with 200-plus students and staff in the event of an evacuation.

Our update of the 1992 Grantham Emergency Management Plan was completed this year. A huge thank you to Sandy Palermo and Tina Stearns for their typing abilities. In addition, many hours were spent by all department heads completing the Homeland Assessment Profile forms required by the State of NH. This will be integrated at a later date with our plan.

As Grantham continues to grow, our nation continues to deal with our security needs, and the Threat of Terrorism in our lives it will be a busy year for us all. All departments here in Grantham stand ready to assist you, “Are You Prepared?”.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*F. Robert Osgood, Emergency Management Director*



## Volunteer Fire Department

The Department responded to a record 102 calls in 2003. This is an increase in calls of 20%. The growing population of Grantham and the surrounding area contribute to this increase in activity. Fortunately most calls are fairly routine and are handled quickly and without serious injury. Most auto accidents have been without serious injury due largely to the increased use of seat belts. SEAT BELTS SAVE LIVES!

The Department was suddenly thrust into the national spotlight on January 5th, 2003 when the platform tennis facility in Eastman exploded. Tragically one person died. The training that the Firefighters and EMT's had gone through in the past in search and rescue came into play. The Department performed exceptionally well under adverse conditions. We had two propane incidents happening within approximately 5 minutes of each other. Planned, but never practiced, was the interoperability of communications between Grantham Fire, Eastman Security, and Mutual Aid agencies. The Plan worked very well.

As we look forward to 2004 the department continues to attract new members. The spirit of volunteerism has not gone away in Grantham! New members are always welcome.

The breakdown of calls for 2003 was:

*Fire Department has come a long way since the early years.*

Fire 16	Explosion 3
Rescue 21	Hazardous Condition 22
Service Call 5	Good Intent 8
False Alarm 26	Special Type 1



This will be my last Town Report as Chief, as I am stepping down this year due to business demands and to spend a little more time with my family. I greatly appreciate the support of the townspeople for the past few years.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Chief Robert Seavey*

### **Firefighters of the Year**

James Bagley—1988  
 Joe Bard—1989  
 Greg Mayo—1990  
 James Palermo—1991 & 1999  
 Robin Benoit—1992  
 Carleton Benoit—1994  
 Michael Benoit—1995  
 Chris Palermo—1996  
 Doug Fountain—1997  
 Doug Demers—1998  
 Stephen Palermo—2001  
 Jeff & Susan Figley—2002

<i>Month</i>	<i># of Incidents</i>
January	12
February	12
March	6
April	9
May	6
June	4
July	5
August	12
September	7
October	8
November	12
December	9

## Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands cooperate to reduce the risk of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Fire permits are mandatory for all outside burning unless the ground where the burning is to be done (and surrounding area) is completely covered with snow. Violations of the fire permit law and the other burning laws of the State of New Hampshire are misdemeanors punishable by fines up to \$2,000 and/or a year in jail, in addition to the cost of suppressing the fire.

A new law effective January 1, 2003 prohibits residential trash burning. Contact the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services at (800) 498-6868 or [www.des.state.nh.us](http://www.des.state.nh.us) for more information

Help us to protect you and our forest resources. Most New Hampshire wildfires are human caused. Homeowners can help protect their homes by maintaining adequate green space around the house and making sure that the house number is correct and visible. Contact your fire department or the New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands at [www.nhdfi.org](http://www.nhdfi.org) or 271-2217 for wildland fire safety information.

### 2003 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires Reported thru November 03, 2003)

#### TOTALS BY COUNTY

	<u># of Fires</u>	<u>Acres</u>
Belknap	40	4.86
Carroll	46	13.99
Cheshire	8	.68
Coos	7	17.40
Grafton	22	12.60
Hillsborough	60	11.34
Merrimack	98	10.45
Rockingham	56	18.54
Strafford	34	7.94
Sullivan	3	2.03

#### CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

Arson	10
Campfire	25
Children	13
Smoking	20
Debris	226
Railroad	3
Lightning	2
Equipment	8
Misc*	67

(\*Misc: powerlines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)

	<u>Total Fires</u>	<u>Total Acres</u>
2003	374	100
2002	540	187
2001	942	428
2000	516	149

### ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRES

*Respectfully submitted,*  
Kenneth O. Barton, Fire Warden



## F.A.S.T. Squad

The Grantham F.A.S.T. Squad responded to 127 calls in 2003, both independently and in response with the Fire Department. The following is a generalized breakdown of the types of calls we attended:

Allergic	1	Cardiovascular	7
Fire Assist	6	Life Line	1
Lift Assist	14	Mass Casualty/Explosion	1
Medical	49	Missing Person	1
MVC	34	Trauma	14
Unresponsive	2		

Our membership is as follows:

Stuart Gillespie	EMT-I, Coordinator
Jeff Figley	EMT-I, Assist. Coordinator & Training Officer
Susan Figley	EMT-I, Secretary
Jane Underhill	EMT-I, Treasurer
Jill Davis	EMT-P
David Negron	EMT-P
Zach Bryan	EMT-P
Morgan Figley	EMT-AP

We have three paramedics, four EMT intermediates and one EMT apprentice. Due to moves in 2003, our membership decreased by two EMT basics, however at this time there are seven potential new members pursuing First Responder and EMT basic qualifications.

The F.A.S.T. Squad is committed to serving the community of Grantham with excellent medical care and as a result continuing education plays a large part in our efforts. In cooperation with the Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee EMS and through the Bureau of EMS we have received two automated external defibrillators (AED's) and are now awaiting placement and training. We are active members of the Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee EMS Region in the district C-5 section and our very own squad coordinator, Stuart Gillespie is serving as the secretary.

We currently utilize New London Ambulance as our primary transport and our dispatch is located in New London. This year, due to continued support of the Grantham community, we have purchased a mobile transport cot, updated our oxygen delivery system and revised our rig inventory set up in preparation of possible mass casualty events.

## F.A.S.T. Squad

The squad is always looking for new volunteers, so if you are interested in joining us please speak to one of the members, visit our web site or call the Fire Station at 863-5710 for information or an application.

We as a squad would like to thank the townspeople and our town officials for your support and wish you a safe and healthy 2004.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Susan Figley, Secretary*



*Jill Davis & Jeff Figley during a training session*



*Tennis Court Tragic Explosion*

*Participants in a Mock Drill*





## Lake Sunapee Region Visiting Nurse Association

One of the most important roles of the Board and staff of Lake Sunapee Region Visiting Nurse Association this year was to advocate for the people for whom we provide care. This advocacy took many forms. We communicated regularly with your Representatives and Senators in Washington, D. C. to let them know that the reductions in Medicare payments were adversely affecting access to care for the seniors in our communities. We let them know that the most frail elderly in our communities should not have to pay a co-payment for Medicare home health services when they already pay hospital and physician co-payments. We let them know that seniors should not have to choose between food or prescription drugs or health care.

At the state level, we let the Governor and the legislature know that chronically ill and disabled residents in New Hampshire should not be forced to be on a waiting list to receive home care. If we are to keep people at home rather than in an institution, home health must be reimbursed adequately.

At Lake Sunapee Region VNA we examined our processes and staffing monthly to adapt to the current health care environment and still provide the quality of care and achieve the positive patient results you have come to expect of us. Six years ago average reimbursement for a Medicare patient was \$7900, today it is \$2400. Actions taken included reducing management staff and other operating expenses, and finding best practices to achieve increased clinical efficiency. Support from individuals, businesses, United Way and from the towns was critical to our programs this year. We are grateful for that support.

Our state of the art technology allowed us to dispatch our nursing resources when needed by our patients. Daily monitoring gave important assessment information to the professional staff enabling us to reduce *unnecessary* trips for emergent care and hospitalization by 60 per cent, keeping patients and their families together at home where they want to be.

We continued to expand our pediatric program with our School Nurse Health Initiative. The goal of this program is to work with school nurses to keep children with chronic illnesses in school and learning, to educate the child and family about the illness and to link the family with community resources that will help that child and family cope.

Hospice developed a palliative care program this year for patients who are not yet ready or appropriate for Hospice care but who can benefit from the strong team approach and from the support services as they deal with a life-threatening illness.

We developed a package of services, *Assisted Living at Home*, that includes medication management, personal care support morning and evening, hair care, home massage and other services designed for the patient who does not need skilled care, but who needs supportive care in order to remain independent at home.

Our commitment to community service projects and charity care on behalf of residents in your town included home visits, screening clinics, immunization clinics, health fairs, support groups, community newsletters and other activities designed to promote wellness and prevent disease. For details, our Community Benefits report is available in our office.

This year 713 residents of the town of Grantham utilized many of the services available through Lake Sunapee Region VNA. Our home care programs provided 635 visits and our hospice program, 106 visits to adults and children in Grantham. Our Long-Term Care program provided 1432 hours of care and 21 residents were monitored through our telemedicine program.

Again, thank you for your support. The strength of our community lies in working together.

*Respectfully,*

*Andrea Steel  
President and CEO*





## Southwestern Community Services

<b>Economic Impact:</b>	<b>\$42,165.30</b>
<b>Direct Assistance to Residents:</b>	<b>\$16,866.12</b>
<b>1.5% of Direct Assistance:</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>

<i>Total Number of Households Served</i>	<i>30</i>
<i>Total Number of Residents Served</i>	<i>67</i>
<i>Average Benefit per Household</i>	<i>\$562.20</i>
<i>Average Benefit per Resident</i>	<i>\$629.33</i>

Commodity Supplemental Food:	\$ 776.16
Women's, Infant & Children (WIC):	\$ 2,517.00
Fuel Assistance:	\$11,597.96
Weatherization:	\$ 1,575.00
Neighbor Helping Neighbor:	\$ 200.00

### Our Mission Statement

Southwestern Community Services, Inc. is an umbrella agency that offers an array of services to the elderly, the disabled and low-income households in Cheshire and Sullivan Counties of New Hampshire. Our programs provide assistance in the areas of education, child development, employment, energy and its conservation, housing and homelessness prevention.

Southwestern Community Services, Inc. (SCS) is one of six community action agencies throughout New Hampshire, and part of the larger network of 70 agencies in New England and nearly 900 agencies nationwide. We have been serving the needs of our citizens for more than 39 years, beginning in 1965 when President Lyndon Johnson waged his "War on Poverty." Over these 39 years our programs have evolved and expanded to keep pace with the constantly changing needs of our citizens. We strive to stay in touch with the real needs of the people and find or develop programs that will best serve those needs. We have a diverse funding base ranging from federal to state and local governments, as well as private foundations and corporations.

### In Sullivan County ~

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## Grantham Community Crisis Fund

The year of 2003 found the Grantham Community Crisis Fund once again active in our town. We were able to distribute over \$5,000 in monies and vouchers thru out the year. Donations and interest on Certificate of Deposits accounts were the basis of our income along with proceeds from various organization. Our expenses topped off at \$95.00 this year. This is inclusive of a \$75.00 filing fee to the State of New Hampshire and the cost of our Post Office Box 1192. Once again, we did not feel the need to fund raise because of the contributions of our benefactors in the year 2003.

We would like to thank everyone including the Eastmanaires and the Eastman Recreation Department for its involvement and generosity, Piper Scalabrin and the Grantham Village School staff for their input and help. We also extend a thank you to the individuals who remember us every year at Christmas time and Warren Kimball and Andrew Mellow, who publicly celebrated their 101 years conjoined birthdays and requested donations to the Grantham Community Crisis Fund, boosting our bank account. Our motto of "Neighbor Helping Neighbor" is a true statement of the Grantham citizen. Your gifts are given in the purest form—from the heart to your community and we appreciate every effort and dime.

Please remember that we strive to aid with the strictest confidentiality for anyone seeking assistance. Please feel free to call any of our members if you or someone you know may be able to use our services.

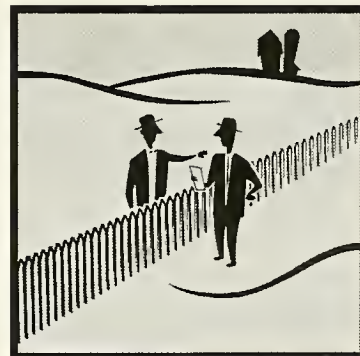
**Our Post Office Box is 1192**  
**Our Tax ID # is 5914-05915**

A thank you once again from the Community Crisis Fund Members:

Jodie Mueller..... 863-9275  
 Deborah Cheever..... 863-5946  
 Sheara Bailey..... 863-1166  
 Noreen DeNatale ..... 863-7393  
 Cindy Towle..... 863-3156

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Cindy Towle, Secretary*  
*Grantham Community Crisis Fund*



## Recreation Department



### Baseball/Softball

#### T-ball

Shawn Sleeper took the challenge of coaching the T-ball team this year. The kids learned how to run bases, hit off the "T", field the ball, and learn where the positions are on the baseball field. It is great to have new volunteers work with the kids.

#### Farm team

##### Grantham Pride Baseball

The pride is a co-ed baseball team located in our hometown. Both boys and girls take to the diamond learning how to catch, throw and hit a baseball. These youngsters enjoy hitting live pitching, and fielding ground balls and fly balls off the bats of their opponents. Thanks to all that helped out with this level of ball.

*Coach Troy Guerin*

Thank-you and the rec. association for the wonderful experience of coaching the farm league team this year. It was a lot of fun for me, and I think the children and parents enjoyed it as well. I found all the coaches an extreme help as I'm not a "baseball" savvy woman. The parents of the children on our team were all very helpful with assisting as well as carpooling. I recommend the experience to anyone.

*Coach Kathleen Wilson*

### Softball

##### 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade softball

The 2003 Girls 3-4 Softball team had a season of growth and development. Coaches Mary Richard and Joy Gobin had twelve eager and spirited girls. The team was fortunate to participate in the Kearsarge League. Newport was the site of our first tournament. The girls learned about sportsmanship, had fun and developed wonderful friendships.

##### 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Softball

The Grantham Girls Under-12 Softball Team was coached by Al Molinaro and Tom Monteleone, and they recorded another highly successful season. With nine sixth graders, the team demonstrated poise and experience, compiling a record of 13 wins, against only 2 losses. The girls' success on the field was the result of good pitching and excellent defense combined with aggressive base-running and timely hitting. Many of the sixth graders hope to play for their junior high team next year.

### Baseball

##### Minor League Mud Dogs

The Grantham Mud Dogs had a fantastic and fun season in 2003, with an 8-1 record and finishing in second place in the regular season. Everyone on the 12 man roster played a lot, and all got hits during the season.

As coaches, we tried to make it as fun as possible while trying to teach them solid baseball skills. There were some incredibly exciting, close games and all the kids showed great improvement as the season



progressed. We hope the kids has as much fun as we did!

The team consisted of: Jake and Jed Goodman, Connor and Sam Wardwell, Charlie Watt, Mike Willis, Tyler Horton, Jamie Patton, Brian Chase, Woody Giveen, Daniel Martin, Daniel Covell

Coaches Rob Watt and Jerry Goodman

Special Thanks to Les Wardwell and Sam Giveen for their help throughout the season.

### Minor League Spartans

Wow, what a great and exciting year the Grantham Spartans Baseball team had. "Who are the Grantham Spartans?" you ask. Only the 2003 regular season undefeated champions in the Kearsarge Baseball League and the Kearsarge baseball League Runner ups, finishing second to Sunapee in a down to the wire playoff scenario. Led all year long by ace pitcher, Alexander Jenkins (A.J.). with outstanding relief and off bench pitching by, Marlin Huel, Christopher Henry, Michael Cyphers, and Johnny Chestnut. There were also brief, but much appreciated appearances on the mound by Jack Connelly and Greg Gobin.

Our defense? Only the best in the league. Players learned the fundamentals early and applied what they knew generously and with exact precision throughout the year. We started the season with a few of the children having little or no baseball experience, and finishing with each child having a good foundation for future endeavors on the baseball diamond.

Our offense, of course, is what got us to number one. Greg Gobin, Josh Cyphers, and Alex Jenkins, led the team in homeruns, base hits and RBI, respectively. But we couldn't have gotten where we were without the overall effort of the entire team's hitting prowess. Let's not forget the timely hits by Liam Russell, Michael Cyphers, and of course, the big homerun by Greg Gobin that vaulted the Grantham Spartans past the Grantham Mud Dogs. This game winner set the stage for our run into the playoffs.

Our children learned proper throwing, catching, fielding, and batting techniques, but most of all they learned good sportsmanship and teamwork. Glen Jenkins, Leo Wallin, and John Chestnut Sr. coach in a manner intended to get the players excited about baseball and all it has to offer, as well as, imparting lifelong coaching impressions about life experience on our young citizens.

Our Spartan baseball family, in general, gave much appreciated support and assistance throughout the year. Carol Shepherd so generously supplied the team with brand new uniforms. Players' mothers and fathers pitched in to help with score keeping, clubhouse management, transportation and moral support for the team.

In summation, I'd say that the great success of the Spartans rested on the overall teamwork and sacrifice of players, parents, and the coaching staff.

*Coach Glen Jenkins*

### Majors:

*Coach Fred O'Brien, Assistant Coach Joel Hutchins.* The major league team this year had 18 kids on the roster, making it very difficult for playing time, playing one position and not getting to hit a lot. The team did well in the regular season and made the playoffs. In the playoffs the team had strong pitching and great defense to help them win the Kearsarge Valley Baseball League Championship.



## Basketball

### 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Skills and fun were the focus of this program for both boys and girls. Over 20 youngsters took to the court learning how to dribble, pass and play defense. The team played a couple of fun games with other towns, with no losing team, only winning smiles on and off the court.

A special thanks to Paul Greeley and Lorie McClory.

*Thank you*

*Troy Guerin*

### 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball

The 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade girls basketball team came through with a very successful season. We did not win many of our games, however the other aspects of playing on an athletic team made the time spent more than worth while for the girls. Everyone on the team gained an immense amount of knowledge and experience, including first year coach Sarah Conine. Most importantly the girls learned to work together as a team and have fun, Peanut butter and Jelly Rabbit is still a favorite among Grantham basketball players. Members of the team include: Elizabeth Gobin, Emma Richards, Lindsay Gray, Darien Demers, Dekka Rivera, Tara Rivera, Colleen Gilliatt, Stephanie Cornish, Megan Brown, Brianne Tate, Madeleine Wells-Bogue, Ali Mortenson, Haleigh Paquette, and Kelsie Turner. *Coach Sarah Conine*

### 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade Boys Basketball

The 3/4 boys season started off slow, losing 2 out of 3 games, however the boys hung in there and won the next 5 out of 6 games and ended up with a 7 win 3 loss season. The season finale was playing in the Hanover Basketball Tournament and winning the championship. This team really played great defensively and as a team, however most of all they showed great sportsmanship. Thanks Boys!

*Coaches Gary Broughall, Glen Jenkins, Leo Wallin*

### 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball

The kids had a rough year in terms of wins, however the boys never gave up. They came back time and time again to make a worth while game, pulling some out and coming up short on others. They worked hard to learn the game and it showed on the court. Reed O'Brien took the points much of the year and did a nice job with it. Matt Henry, Dylan Guerin and Andrew Watt did a great job on the offense and the defensive side of the ball.

Many thanks to Dan McClory for his help and all the parents for good sportsmanship and support for their children.

*Troy Guerin*

### 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball—"Champion Team"

Another winning season for a great bunch of girls, many of which have played together for four years. What better way to end their Grantham career then with an undefeated regular season again and a tournament with three runner-up places and two championships.

The court is home for a lot of these ladies and it showed. Katie Broughall controlling her court and Kasey Steinmetz scoring and scoring and scoring. Can you say DEFENSE? Well, Ashley Mortenson, Allyssa Molinaro, Kristina Smith, and Andrea Conine sure can. Anna Berg in her last season scored a hoop "great job", with Erin Carey, Karlie Shepherd and Ashley Cornish chipping in with a great sense of the game. This group of young ladies are a coach's dream, demonstrating skill, class and unselfishness. They run a

court like it is their backyard and behave like the best of friends on the bench.

I will miss, but never forget this group of young women, thank you all for the memories on the court for the past four years.

*Coach Troy Guerin*

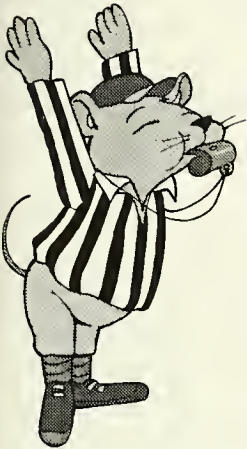
**Note from the Recreation Directors**

The support and dedication of the people of this town to our children and our programs makes us proud to live here. Our top priority is sportsmanship and on many occasions our fans have been called the most supportive fans in the area. Thank-you all for your efforts and remember to thank your referees, umpires, score keepers, coaches, all the many volunteers and sponsors, we could not do it without their help.

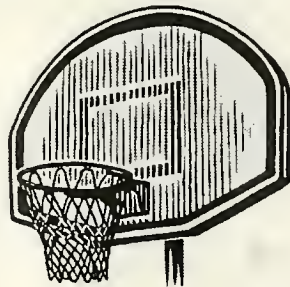
*Respectfully submitted,*

*Gary Broughall, Recreation Director*

*Troy Guerin, Asst. Rec. Director*



*Thank you to the Board of Selectmen  
for taking care of the repairs to the  
basketball backboards at the  
Village School Gymnasium.*





## Congressional Delegation



### US Senators

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## State Representative Constance A. Jones

Ladies and Gentlemen of District 19:

Another year has passed in the Legislature and as far as education funding is concerned we are still at square one. No one is happy. Donors feel they are giving too much and receivers are upset because they are afraid of losing ground. Unfortunately, no one wants to accept the fact that the State Wide Property Tax is not the "end all and be all" savior of the State Education Fund.

As the State budget gets tighter more monetary obligations are being passed down to the counties which in turn elevates the local property tax. The poor Property Tax is stretched to the limit and this affects all tax payers in the State of New Hampshire. I shall continue fighting to eliminate the broad base, state wide property tax. The SWPT should be relegated to the same status as is presently held by the income and sales tax until such time as an equitable solution is found.

There is a very controversial Constitutional Amendment coming up for a vote this session (CACR2). In order to pass in the House and Senate a 60% majority vote is needed. If it were to pass both houses it would appear on the November ballot and the voters would decide the fate of CACR2. To amend the State Constitution requires a 66 2/3 popular vote. This Constitutional Amendment basically says that the Legislature and not the Court shall set the State school funding policy. In the Claremont decision the Court said that it was up to the Legislature to find a fair and equitable solution to funding of the State's obligation for education. The Legislature feels that the Court overstepped it's bounds in that decision. For the past six years this issue has been debated ad nauseam with no consensus being reached. I feel strongly that it is time to let the voters decide the question since it appears we are unable to do so. There have been Constitutional Amendments proposed before...some passed and others did not. Certainly the people should be able to have their say on this very important issue.

My Committee, Criminal Justice and Public Safety will be hearing 32 Bills this session. Some of the topics being covered are: ratifying the national crime prevention and privacy compact, domestic violence protection orders, classification of consumer and display fireworks, increasing the penalty assessment on fines imposed by the courts, drug free senior housing zones, sexual assault cases, and driving under the influence with a minor in the vehicle.

As always, I welcome any questions you may have on any legislation coming before us this session. If there is any way that I can be of help, please let me know. I can be reached at (603) 863-8395 or Post Office Box 975, Grantham, NH, 03753.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Connie Jones*



## State Representative Peter Burling

The 2003 legislative session was a contentious one, with most of the sharpest debate focused on Governor Benson's first state budget, a document that caused great concern almost from the moment it was delivered to the Legislature. Some of the Governor's proposals for spending reductions included cutting funding for the university system by 5%; cutting more than \$70 million from the Department of Health and Human Services, for services such as wheel chair vans for seniors and persons with disabilities; eliminating 29 state trooper positions; cutting the state Department of Environmental Services budget by 5%; virtually eliminating the Land and Community Heritage Program, the state's major historic and land conservation program; and eliminating the Department of Agriculture entirely. The Governor also sought to use \$32 million from the state's retirement fund to pay for general fund obligations, an idea that was quickly scrapped in the face of strong opposition from police chiefs and other public employees.

The House and Senate Finance Committees were left to start almost from scratch to put together an alternative budget. That budget was ultimately vetoed by the Governor, leaving the state without a spending plan until September — when finally, after more than three months of negotiations, the House and Senate passed a version of the budget that was virtually identical to the one vetoed by Governor Benson, except that it included an additional \$300,000 for the Governor's own office.

The Governor did get his way on one of the biggest cuts, when the House and Senate passed House Bill 608, dramatically reducing state aid to public education. As a result of the new formula, education aid was reduced statewide by more than \$240 million over the next two years. The three towns in my district, Cornish, Grantham and Plainfield, all see substantial losses in state support for public education. Aid to Cornish this year has been reduced by \$55,000; Grantham, as a donor town, is paying \$81,000 more to the state; and Plainfield is also receiving \$55,000 less in state education aid. And unless the Legislature makes changes to the formula in the 2004 session, there will be even bigger losses in 2005. All of this translates into higher local property taxes for the people of all three towns. Needless to say, I opposed the Governor on these budget reductions every way I knew how.

The outlook for schools and property taxpayers is even more bleak due to two proposed constitutional amendments that are on the agenda this session. The first, CACR2, would give the Legislature exclusive authority to determine the cost of an adequate education, without any oversight from the courts. If this were to become law, the Claremont decisions would be gone, and so would the state's obligation to pay anything to educate New Hampshire's children. We would very quickly see a return to the days when the local property tax paid for more than 94 percent of school budgets. The other constitutional amendment that is being pushed by Governor Benson is the so-called "Taxpayer's Bill of Rights". This measure would cap all state spending at the rate of inflation, and require a two-thirds vote of the Legislature to raise or pass new taxes. While this may sound like a good idea on its face, the reality is very different. In Colorado, the first state to adopt such an amendment, the Republican state treasurer has said that the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights has been a disaster. Just as has happened in Colorado, local property taxes will skyrocket as the state pushes more and more responsibilities onto the cities and towns.

Clearly this is an important time for your elected officials to hear from you. If you are concerned about the direction in which our state is headed, make sure you make your opinion known. As always, I welcome your feedback and will be happy to answer any questions you may have about the many challenges facing our community and our state.

*Sincerely,*

*Rep. Peter Burling*

*Sullivan County District 19—Cornish, Grantham, Plainfield*



## District One Executive Councilor—Raymond S. Burton



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It is a pleasure to report to you now in my 25th year of serving the 98 towns, 4 cities and Coos, Carroll, Grafton, Sullivan and Belknap counties of New Hampshire. All together there are 249,000 people who I consider my customers, clients and constituents. It has always been a pleasure to respond, as my duties within the Executive Branch of your state government mandate, to inquiries for information, relief and assistance as provided in NH state law and budget. It is an honor to serve you as a public servant.

Below are listed several documents that are available to citizens and I find them to be a valuable NH resource.

The 2003-2004 state telephone directory of state departments and personnel. This 180-page directory includes TDD access numbers, office information, coordinators, map of location of state buildings, legislative listings, judicial branch listings, department listings, personnel listings and a topical listing. This is available for a cost of \$6.000 plus \$2.50 postage. Make checks payable to the State of New Hampshire, or order on line at: [www.gencourt.state.nh.us/visitorcenter](http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/visitorcenter).

The entire directory is available at <http://www.state.nh.us/government/agencies.html>

The 2003-04 NH County Directory of all NH County officials is free and available by calling (603)224-9222. This is also on the web at [www.nhcounties.org](http://www.nhcounties.org)

Also available at no cost from the Secretary of State Office at 271-3242 or at [elections@sos.state.nh.us](mailto:elections@sos.state.nh.us), or mail at Secretary of State, State House Room 204, Concord, NH 03301 are the following publications:

The NH Election Procedural Manual for 2004-2005  
The NH Election Laws for 2004-2005  
The NH Political Calendar for 2004-2005

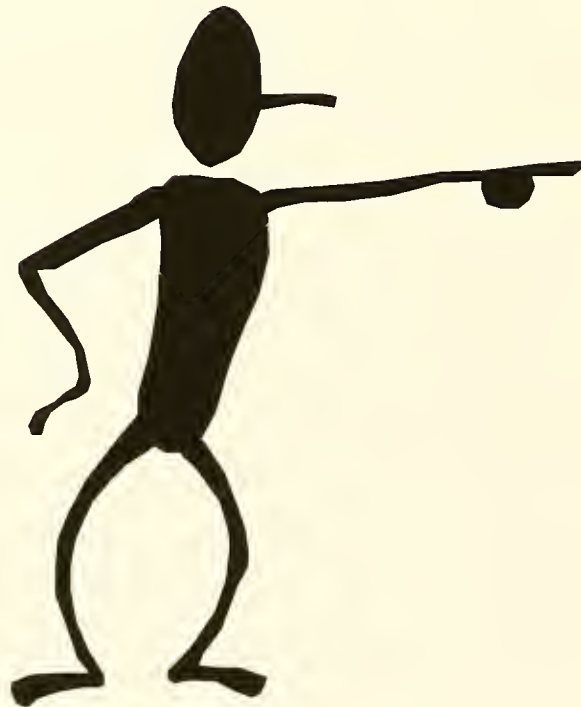
The duties of the NH Executive Council, the NH Tour Guide book, the official tourist map and the NH Constitution are always available from my office at 271-3632 or 747-3662 or [ray.burton4@gte.net](mailto:ray.burton4@gte.net)

As long as I'm around as one of your elected officials never ever feel you are alone in your hour of need.

Contact me anytime!



# School Reports This Way!



# Annual Reports Grantham Village School SAU #75

*For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003*

## Officers & Personnel of the School District

Carl Hanson—*Moderator*  
Piper Pond-Scalabrin—*Clerk*  
Daniel McClory—*Treasurer*

Dr. Gordon E. Schnare—*Superintendent*  
Kelly Cornish—*SAU Administrative Asst.*  
Deborah Trottier—*Principal*  
Nora Tilton—*GVS Administrative Asst.*

## School Board Members

Donald Gobin, Chair  
Frederick Vogt  
Cynthia Bevin  
Maureen Ransom  
Jean Liepold



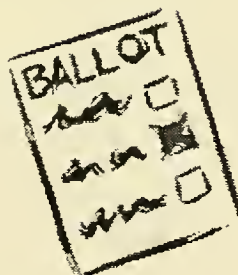
**Proposed Rules for 2004 Grantham School District Meeting**

1. No article may be brought up for reconsideration unless it is brought up immediately after the vote has been determined and announced.
2. Passing over an article is not in the spirit of the meeting and will be ruled out of order.
3. Registered voters only will be seated on the main floor and in the center section of the bleachers. Non-voters will be seated in side sections of the bleachers. Non-voters who are not officers of the school district may be allowed to address the meeting only if the meeting votes to permit it.
4. Whenever a voter wishes to speak, he or she will address the moderator and identify herself or himself.
5. The moderator will conduct a secret "yes-no" ballot when five voters make a written request prior to voice or division vote on any article open for discussion. (RSA 41:4a)
6. The moderator will take a secret "yes-no" ballot when seven or more voters question any non-ballot vote immediately after the vote is declared, and before any other business is conducted. (RSA 40:4b)
7. All proposed amendments to articles will be submitted in writing to the moderator prior to vote of the amendment.



**SAU 75 School Election Results 2003**

<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Number of Votes</u></b>
<b>School Board</b>	
<i>Maureen Ransom</i>	349
<i>Jean Liepold St. Peter</i>	218
Jeanne O'Callaghan	162
Doug Caffrey	5
Calloway	1
Don Gobin	1
Tina Stearns	1
Sally Caffrey	1
Chris Gallien	1
<b>Clerk</b>	
<i>Piper Scalabrin</i>	425
Karen Moulton	1
<b>Moderator</b>	
<i>Carl Hanson</i>	420
Victoria Smith	2
Merle Schotanus	1
<b>Treasurer</b>	
<i>Dan McClory</i>	425
Phil Schaefer	1
Chris Gallien	1



## Superintendent's Report

Building a budget during the dark days of December is always a challenge. When it is cold, windy and dark outside and you are hard pressed by the here and now, its hard to think in terms of next school year. Predicting the needs of a dynamically changing community, such as Grantham, a full year ahead requires the gifts of a clairvoyant. Lacking those gifts, most of us, including the Board and staff of the Grantham School District, must rely on the next best thing—planning.

This appears to be a banner year for planning in Grantham. While the Planning Board is reviewing the Master Plan and a citizen's committee is planning housing for town and school district offices, the Grantham School Board has also begun a planning initiative, aimed at identifying the long-range needs of the district. As a first step in the process, the School Board commissioned independent studies of projected enrollment for grades K - 12 for the next 10 years and current and future building needs. Information from those studies was used by the Board as it deliberated budget priorities. Over the long term, the Board hopes to have a strategic plan that will help the district cope with student enrollments that are projected to nearly double in the next 10 years.

The Board has worked very hard this year to create a budget that respects the maintenance of a strong academic program, provides a safe and wholesome environment for students and anticipates robust increases in student enrollment. We think we have found a balance that meets those goals with little in expenditures.

High School and Junior High School tuition and special education make up nearly 45% of this year's budget. Projected enrollments for high school and junior high school have risen significantly as large sixth grades move on to the junior high school and as large seventh and eighth grade classes move into the high school. Fortunately, the Lebanon School District tuition rate has remained relatively stable, declining for junior high school students and rising by only \$142 for high school students.

The Grantham Village School budget will rise only moderately. This year's budget includes funding for an additional second grade teacher and a facilities manager. The former position is needed because of anticipated large classes in grade 2. In the past we were able to split a second and a third grade, but next year that will not be possible. An additional expense is the conversion of one of its two custodial positions into a maintenance man/custodian to oversee the additional maintenance requirements of the gym and the expanded school building.

Progress continues toward our goal of high academic standards for the children of the Grantham Village School. State assessments in most areas this year remain positive, although school staff continues to work toward improvement in science and mathematics problem solving.

The 212 students at the Grantham Village School continue to participate in an excellent educational program supported by a caring and competent school staff. We encourage members of the community to join us in our important work of developing tomorrow's citizens.

On behalf of the Board, students and staff of the Grantham School District, I would like to thank you for your continued support.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Gordon E. Schnare, Ed. D.  
School Superintendent*



### Principal's Report

As we enter the halfway point of the school year, Grantham Village School is happy to welcome six new people to our staff. We have one new classroom teacher, Kevin Gianini who teaches grade 4/5. In addition, we have four new paraprofessionals: Andrea Head, Judy Ryan, Linda Malnati, Nicole Wallace and a new custodian, Gordon Bartlett. We welcome the special skills that these new staff members bring to our 212 (and growing) students.

We continue to find new and innovative ways to enhance our educational programs. We are fortunate to have the opportunity to participate in a science program called ELF (Environmental Learning for the Future). This is an educational program designed by the Vermont Institute of Natural Science (VINS) to give children an understanding and appreciation of the natural world. Volunteers are trained by the VINS staff who then provide hands-on science activities for our students.

The GVS Emergency Management and Planning committee is working with the state to implement additional safety drills at the Grantham Village School. This committee also works closely with the town administrator, fire department, police department and the town emergency director in order to coordinate our efforts and provide a safe and secure environment for our students and staff.

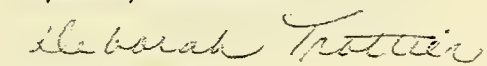
Grantham Village school received a grant from the NH State Council on the Arts last May for a sculpture garden project. Emile Birch, a sculptor from Canaan, is coming to the school for 27 days to work with our students to design, make and install permanent sculpture pieces and plant a garden in the front of our school. The design theme for the sculpture garden is Pathway to Freedom.

For the first time we are able to provide a Breakfast Program. Mrs. Field enthusiastically serves a healthy breakfast to more than fifty students each day. As a result of our participation we have received a grant to purchase software to help our program run more efficiently.

The Grantham Parent Teacher Group continues to support our school programs in many different ways. They sponsor the reading incentive program; Books and Beyond, the winter activities and fund professional inservice programs. This committed group also provides funding for enrichment programs. This year these programs included the artist in residence and a performance of "A Bully Isn't Your Friend...Yet" by Plymouth State University students.

In Grantham we provide an excellent academic program in a warm and caring atmosphere. This is made possible by our dedicated and highly skilled staff as well as involved and committed parents and volunteers. It is a pleasure for me to part of this extraordinary group of people.

*Respectfully submitted,*

  
Deborah Trotter

## NHEIAP 2003

The Grantham Village School NHEIAP state test results are as follows:

### Third Grade Math

Advanced	24%
Proficient	28%
Basic	48%
Novice	0%

### Third Grade Writing Score

6.8 out of 12  
(State average 5.9)

### Third Grade L/A

Advanced	16%
Proficient	44%
Basic	36%
Novice	4%

### Sixth Grade Math

Advanced	6%
Proficient	49%
Basic	40%
Novice	6%

### Sixth Grade Writing Score

7.1 out of 12  
(State average 5.4)

### Sixth Grade L/A

Advanced	6%
Proficient	37%
Basic	46%
Novice	11%

### Sixth Grade Science

Advanced	0%
Proficient	23%
Basic	57%
Novice	20%

### Sixth Grade Social Studies

Advanced	3%
Proficient	49%
Basic	29%
Novice	20%



## Village School—2003-2004 Staff

Allaire, Scott	Grade 4 Teacher
Atherley, Jackie	Kindergarten Teacher
Bailey, Debra	Food Service Aide
Bartlett, Gordon	PT Custodian (evening)
Bartlett, Heidi	Kindergarten Teacher
Beardslee, Howard	Volunteer French Instructor
Bechta-Piedmont, Dianne	Grade 5 Teacher
Bohrer, Linda	Paraprofessional
Buckman, Denise	Grade 3 Teacher
Clark, Wanda	Music Teacher
Conine, Diana	Media Specialist
Crutchfield, Rob	Grade 2/3 Teacher
Davis, Karen	Speech Therapist
Dontonville, Roger	Health & Physical Education Teacher
Field, Laurie	Food Service Manager
Gianini, Kevin	Grade 4/5 Teacher
Head, Andrea	Paraprofessional
Jaggard, Sue	Grade 1 Teacher
Jones, Cheryl	Occupational Therapist
Long, Joanne	Special Education Teacher
	Special Education Coordinator
Loven, Jennifer	Art Teacher
Malnati, Linda	Paraprofessional
Marks, Robert	Strings Instructor
McGee, Miki	Special Education Teacher
Moon, Karen	Paraprofessional
Netzband, Deloris	Guidance Counselor
Renehan, Oliver	Custodian (FT day)
Rice, Robert	Grade 6 Teacher
Richard, Mary	Paraprofessional
Ryan, Judy	Paraprofessional
Scalabrin, Piper	Nurse
Sherman, Jeanne	Grade 1 Teacher
Shuttleworth, Amy	Grade 6 Teacher
Tilton, Nora	Administrative Assistant
Trottier, Deborah	Principal
Wallace, Lynn	Grade 2 Teacher
Wallace, Nicole	Paraprofessional
Waltzer, Pam	Instrumental Music Teacher



## Grantham Tuition Students

### Grade 7

Beaulieu, Aaron  
Berg, Anna  
Broughall, Katie  
Butler, Morgan  
Carey, Erin  
Cendron, Paul  
Clark, Stephen  
Conine, Andrea  
Cornish, Ashley  
Dupuis, Kelly  
Feldstein, Jeremy  
Giveen, Luke  
Guerin, Dylan  
Hayes, Katherine  
Henry, Matthew  
Hutchins, Matthew  
Kovac, Britny  
Lamont, Brett  
McGee-Scalabrin, Brody  
Michaels, Caitlin  
Molinaro, Alyssa  
Monteleone, Olivia  
Mortenson, Ashley  
Nason, Kristin  
O'Brien, Reed  
Olenic, Jennifer  
Pond, Morgan  
Shepherd, Karli  
Smith, Kristina  
Steinmetz, Kasey  
Sullivan, Patrick  
Taylor, Alison  
Wade, Jordan  
Walker, Hannah  
Wilson, Michael

### Grade 8

Bailey, Maisea  
Bailey, Rebecca  
Buchanan, David  
Carmichael, David  
Cheever, Chris  
Collier, Jennifer  
Cyphers, Jonathan  
Davidson, Carolyn  
Dazet, Victoria  
Feldstein, Nathan  
Figley, Tessa  
Guzman, Damian  
Hastings, Jessica  
Ivey, Courtney  
Malnati, Jamie  
Marsh, Christopher  
Martineau, Chelsea  
Matyas, John  
Mellish, Ramsay  
Montmagny, Ben  
Muir, Grant  
O'Brien, Reed  
Paquette, Thomas  
Partridge, Shannon  
Purdy, Alex  
Roy, William  
Russell, Grace  
Ryan, Matthew  
Schmidt, Alexandra  
Stearns, Jeremiah  
Wallin, Kristina  
Wantuch, David  
Wenz, Hannah



## Grantham Tuition Students

### Grade 9

Bard, Casey  
 Beal, Alexa  
 Brewer, Donald  
 Chaput, David  
 Congdon, Jonathan  
 Daigle, Kristen  
 Dorr, Garielle  
 Durkee, Lindsay  
 Hanson, Emily  
 Hutchins, Travis  
 Lamont, Ryan  
 Masterson, Nathan  
 Mayo, Brenden  
 McGee-Scalabrin, Hannah  
 Montmagny, Elizabeth  
 Moulton, Jacqueline  
 Nagy, Kyle  
 O'Brien, Shannon  
 Rose, Brittany  
 Roy, Lawrence  
 Russell, Emily  
 Schmidt, Lianne  
 Sekula, Nicholas  
 Smith, Justin  
 Sullivan, Aileen  
 Valcourt, Elizabeth  
 Webber, Johanna  
 Wells-Bogue, Grace  
 Willis, Heather

### Grade 10

Bailey, Jessica  
 Buchanan, Jenna  
 Butler, Joshua  
 Carmichael, Mary  
 Clary, Austin  
 Daigle, Matthew  
 Daigle, Meghan  
 Davidson, Daniel  
 Hastings, Shaun  
 Hastings, Jacalyn  
 Hastings, Michael  
 Kimball, Kori  
 LaBelle, Lana  
 Muir, Cortni  
 Ordway, Stephen  
 Shepherd, Max  
 Smith, Amanda  
 Stearns, Heather  
 Trottier, Nicole  
 Wilson, Amanda

### Grade 11

Catani, Steven  
 Chaloux, Christopher  
 Clark, Daniel  
 Conine, Sarah  
 Covill, Eric  
 Dazet, Timothy  
 Dobson, Ashley  
 Dorr, Samuel  
 Hale, Allison  
 Marshall, Dustin  
 Martineau, Paige  
 Masterson, Nicholas  
 Michelson, Rae Ann  
 Moulton, Theodore  
 Shepherd, Cameron  
 Turner, Matthew  
 Vo, Bach  
 Wantuch, Michael  
 Wells-Bogue, Jack  
 Whaler-Auger, Brenan  
 Whippie, Noah

### *Grade 12—Class of 2004*



Bailey, Chelsea  
 Bowen, Jennifer  
 Brewer, Ellie  
 Charbono, Tyler  
 Collier, Nathan  
 Creasey, Justin  
 Dearing, Timothy  
 Dyer, Gregory  
 Eigenbrode, Michael  
 Figley, Morgan  
 Jarvis, Jamie  
 Kelley, Ryan  
 Knowles, Julia  
 Rappaport, David  
 Stauffer-Laurie, Jamie  
 Trottier, Andre  
 Webber, Richard

Grantham Village School  
High/Low Enrollment  
September 3, 2003 through January 12, 2004

Grade	September	January
Kindergarten	25	25
First Grade	35	39
Second Grade	29	30
Third Grade	29	31
Fourth Grade	23	26
Fifth Grade	31	30
Sixth Grade	29	31
<b>Total</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>212</b>



Jutta Cords & Laura Jarrell



Brielle Giaccone & Gordon Baker



## SAU 75 / Grantham Village School Treasurer's Report

Bank balance as of July 1, 2002 \$ 12,638.47

*Plus Deposits:*

Town of Grantham	3,170,975.00	
Food Service Income	35,773.71	
Revenue from State Sources	41,130.00	
Transfers from Special Ed Trust	40,400.00	
Building Aid	43,500.00	
Medicare	1,009.87	
Jr. High Tuition	4,581.39	
Primex	10,536.78	
Bank Interest	3,696.73	
Other Income	8,249.72	
 Total Income		\$ 3,359,853.20

*Minus:*

Total Expenditures - 3,293,586.25

**Bank balance as of June 30, 2003 \$ 78,905.42**

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Daniel D. McClory, Treasurer*



## 2003 School District Meeting Minutes

Grantham School District Meeting  
March 6, 200~~2~~3

Moderator Carl Hanson opened by welcoming all present to the 2003 School District Meeting, and called the meeting to order at 7: 05 PM in the Grantham Municipal building. He introduced School Board members Don Gobin and Fred Vogt. He further introduced Superintendent Dr. Gordon Schnare, Principal Deborah Trottier, and School District Clerk Piper Scalabrin. A pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was then said. Moderator Carl Hanson next referred attention to the Proposed Rules for 2003 Grantham School District meeting. He then asked the town to adopt the seven rules by voice vote.

Motion to approve the rules as written made by Warren Kimball. Seconded by Joy Gobin.

Motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

ARTICLE 1. To hear the reports of agents, committees, and other officers heretofore chosen and to pass any vote relating thereto.

Motion made by Fred Vogt to accept Article 1 as written. Seconded by Joy Gobin.

ARTICLE 2. For 2002-2003, to see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Forty Thousand dollars (\$140,000) to reduce the general fund deficit pursuant to RSA 189:28-1. (Recommended By School Board)

Motion made by Warren Kimball to adopt Article 2 as written. Elizabeth Paquette seconded.

Moderator Carl Hanson called for discussion regarding Article 2. The School Board showed a slide to explain the deficit. They attributed the extra moneys to tuition, an additional, unbudgeted teacher, special education and food service. Don Gobin spoke of the explosive population growth occurring in Grantham. Connie Howard questioned why the \$23,000 special education portion of the moneys asked for could not be taken from the special education trust fund that currently exists. There was extensive discussion regarding the deficit and its specifics.

Fred Vogt made the motion to reduce the money in article 2 by \$ 23,000, and to authorize the school board to appropriate the \$23,000 from the special education trust fund. Terry Dorr seconded this amendment.

There was continued discussion regarding the wording of the amendment and that the School Board did not need authorization to spend money from the Special Education trust fund. Moderator Carl Hanson called for a voice vote pertaining to amend Article 2 to read:

For 2003-2004, to see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$117,000 (\$140,000 minus \$23,000) to reduce the general fund deficit pursuant to RSA 189:28-1.

The amendment passed by majority voice vote.

Carl Hanson called for a vote to adopt Article 2 as amended.

The amended article passed by a majority voice vote.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the School District will raise and appropriate Three Million Seven Hundred Two Thousand, One Hundred Sixty-four Dollars (\$3,702,164) for the support of the school, for the payment of salaries of School District officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of said District. This article includes the amounts describes in Article 7 and 8, but does not include funds requested in any of the other warrant articles. (Recommended by the School Board)

Motion made by Warren Kimball to adopt Article 3 as written. Paula Dorr seconded.

Moderator Carl Hanson called for discussion regarding Article 3.

School Board member Don Gobin spoke to the School Board's intent to keep the high quality of the Grantham Village School. He then went on to explain the increases in the future budget with line item subjects which were; tuition, instructional salary/benefits, transportation (need for a new bus), special education salary, an additional custodian, increased time for the nurse, enrichment, food service, and planning committee. There was discussion regarding the transportation increase. There was discussion regarding the tuition increase. There was continued discussion about financial numbers not adding up. The nurse increase was hotly debated. There was discussion regarding the planning committee funding. There were questions about the enrichment dollars. The food service moneys were discussed.



Moderator Carl Hanson stated that there was a written request to vote on Article 3 by Yes/No ballot.

Howard

Connie ~~Koxson~~ called the question to vote. Merie Schotanus seconded.

The question was called to vote by majority voice vote.

Moderator Carl Hanson explained the Yes/No voting process.

Article 3 passed as written by majority Yes/No vote. (41 Yes, 34 No).

ARTICLE 4. To see if the School District will vote to create an expendable trust fund under the provisions of RSA 198:20-c, to be known as the Secondary School Tuition Trust Fund, for the purpose of defraying the costs of high school and junior high school tuition. Furthermore, to see if the School District will raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand dollars (\$100,000) toward this purpose and to name the school board as agents to expend that fund. (Recommended by the School Board)

Motion made by Don Gobin to adopt Article 4 as written. Tina Stearns seconded.

Moderator Carl Hanson called for discussion regarding the Article.

Board Members Don Gobin and Fred Vogt explained the Board's rationale for the Article. There were questions posed by many townspeople. Jeff Figley asked to have the Article voted on by Yes/No ballot. Carl Hanson explained that the request had to be in writing signed by five voters. The request was written and presented to Carl Hanson.

Connie Howard made the motion to amend Article 4 to read \$50,000 instead of \$100,000. Donald Fuller seconded the amendment.

Vote on this amendment was taken with a show of hands.

The amendment failed with a hands vote of 22 votes in favor of the amendment, 40 against.

Voting for Article 4 was voted upon by a written Yes/No ballot.

enter into a long term lease with the Town of Grantham for the use, care and maintenance of the Grantham Municipal Building (gymnasium). Cost items related to the lease of the Municipal Building are included in Article 3. (Recommended by the School Board)

Merle Schotanus moved to accept the Article as written. Cindy Towle seconded.

There was a short discussion regarding this article.

Article 7 passed by unanimous voice vote.

ARTICLE 8. To determine and appoint the salaries of the Grantham School Board, and fix the compensation of any other officers and agents of the District as follows: Board Chair-\$300; 4 Board Members at \$200 per individual= \$800; School District Treasurer-\$500; School District Clerk-\$100; Moderator-\$50; Supervisor of the Checklist-\$25 per meeting. Cost items related to this article are included in Article 3. (Recommended by the School Board)

Connie Howard moved to adopt the Article as written. Seconded by Warren Kimball.

Article 8 was passed by unanimous voice vote.

ARTICLE 9. To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

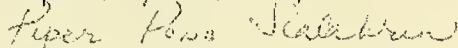
Tina Stearns moved to accept Article 9 as written. Terry Dorr seconded. There was no other business discussed.

Merle Schotanus moved to adjourn the meeting. Cindy Towle seconded.

The motion was passed by unanimous voice vote.

Moderator Carl Hanson adjourned the meeting at 9:54 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Piper Pond Scalabrin  
School District Clerk

**TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**March 16, 2004**

**Sullivan, ss**

**School District of Grantham**

To the inhabitants of the School District of Grantham in the County of Sullivan, and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Grantham Municipal Building in Grantham, New Hampshire, on TUESDAY, March 16, 2004, at 7:00 PM to act upon the following subjects:

**ARTICLE 1.** To hear the reports of agents, committees, and other officers heretofore chosen and to pass any vote relating thereto.

**ARTICLE 2.** To see if the School District will raise and appropriate Three Million Eight Hundred Seventy-five Thousand, Sixty-seven Dollars (\$3,875,067) for the support of the school, for the payment of salaries of School District officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of said District. This article includes the amounts described in Article 4, but does not include funds requested in any of the other warrant articles. (Recommended By School Board)

**ARTICLE 3.** To see if the district will vote to create a capital reserve fund under provisions of RSA 35:1, to be known as the Grantham School Construction Fund, and raise and appropriate up to One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) to be placed in this fund, with such amount to be funded from the year end undesignated fund balance available on July 1, 2004. (Recommended by the School Board)

**ARTICLE 4.** To determine and appoint the salaries of the Grantham School Board, and fix the compensation of any other officers and agents of the District as follows: Board Chair--\$300; 4 Board Members at \$200 per individual = \$800; School District Treasurer --\$500; School District Clerk -- \$100; Moderator--\$50; Supervisor of the Checklist--\$25 per meeting. Appropriations related to this article are included in Article 2. (Recommended By School Board)

**ARTICLE 5.** To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seals at said Grantham this 4th day of February 2004.



A True Copy Attest:

Don Gobin, Chair

Don Gobin

Cynthia Bevin

Cynthia G. Bevin

Jean Liepold

Jean Liepold

Maureen Ransom

Maureen Ransom

Fred Vogt

Fred Vogt

Grantham School Board

**SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT  
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
March 09, 2004**

**SULLIVAN, S.S.**

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF GRANTHAM**

To the inhabitants of the School District of Grantham, in the County of Sullivan, and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Grantham Municipal Building in Grantham, New Hampshire, on Tuesday, March 9, 2004 at 10:00 in the morning to act on the following subjects.

**ARTICLE 1.** To choose by ballot a Moderator, a Clerk, and a Treasurer, each to serve one year, and one member of the School Board to serve three years.

Note: Polls will be open from 10:00 AM until 7:00 P.M on March 9, 2004. All other school district business will be considered at the School District Meeting to be held at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, March 16, 2004 at the Grantham Municipal Building.

Given under our hands and seals at Grantham this 4th day of February 2004.

**A True Copy Attest:**

Donald Gobin, Chair

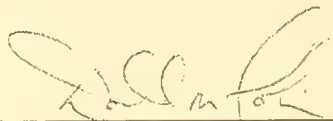
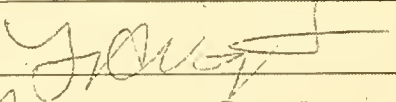
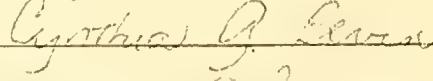
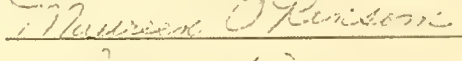
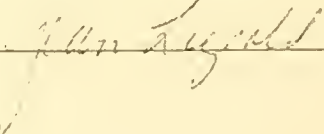
Fred Vogt

Cynthia Bevin

Maureen Ransom

Jean Liepold

Grantham School Board

MS-26

# SCHOOL BUDGET FORM

OF: **Grantham, NH**Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Fiscal Year From July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005**IMPORTANT:**

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list ALL APPROPRIATIONS in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the school clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below.

Certified That Budget Was Posted With Warrant on (Date): \_\_\_\_\_

**SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS**

Please sign in ink.

*Donna F. [Signature]*  
*Richard [Signature]*  
*Marissa Ranson*

*Cynthia G. Bower*  
*Jan [Signature]*

**THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE SCHOOL WARRANT**

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION  
COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION  
MUNICIPAL FINANCE BUREAU  
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487  
(603)271-3397

MS-26  
Rev. 07/02



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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	WARR. ART #	Expenditures for Year 7/1/02 to 6/30/03	Appropriations Current Year As Approved by DRA	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
<b>INSTRUCTION (1000-1999)</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
1100-1199	Regular Programs		\$2,243,537.00	\$2,604,815.00	\$2,632,413.00	
1200-1299	Special Programs		\$158,735.00	\$181,133.00	\$249,128.00	
1300-1399	Vocational Programs					
1400-1499	Other Programs					
1500-1599	Non-Public Programs					
1600-1899	Adult & Community Programs					
<b>SUPPORT SERVICES (2000-2999)</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
2000-2199	Student Support Services		\$94,562.00	\$110,875.00	\$121,770.00	
2200-2299	Instructional Staff Services		\$54,841.00	\$76,726.00	\$76,945.00	
<b>GENERAL ADMINISTRATION</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
2310-840	School Board Contingency					
2310-2399	Other School Board		\$24,073.00	\$20,479.00	\$26,746.00	
<b>EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
2320-310	SAU Management Services					
2320-2399	All Other Administration		\$123,076.00	\$128,022.00	\$132,297.00	
2400-2499	School Administration Service		\$134,366.00	\$140,011.00	\$140,945.00	
2500-2599	Business					
2600-2699	Operation & Maintenance of Plant		\$121,795.00	\$155,655.00	\$174,781.00	
2700-2799	Student Transportation		\$87,507.00	\$125,769.00	\$94,458.00	
2800-2999	Support Service, Central & Other		\$8,441.00			
3000-3999	<b>NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES</b>		\$47,761.00	\$49,801.00	\$58,335.00	
4000-4999	<b>FACILITIES ACQUISITIONS &amp; CONSTRUCTION</b>			\$5,000.00	\$7,500.00	
<b>OTHER OUTLAYS (5000-5999)</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
5110	Debt Service - Principal		\$145,000.00	\$145,000.00	\$145,000.00	
5120	Debt Service - Interest		\$26,709.00	\$20,278.00	\$14,747.00	
<b>FUND TRANSFERS</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
5220-5221	To Food Service					
5222-5229	To Other Special Revenue					
5230-5239	To Capital Projects					
5251	To Capital Reserves					
5252	To Expendable Trust ("see pg 3)		\$25,000.00	\$115,000.00		
5253	To Non-Expendable Trusts					
5254	To Agency Funds					
5300-5399	Intergovernmental Agency Alloc.					
	SUPPLEMENTAL					
	DEFICIT			\$117,000.00		
<b>SUBTOTAL 1</b>			\$3,295,403.00	\$3,995,564.00	\$3,875,067.00	

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PLEASE PROVIDE FURTHER DETAIL:

\* Amount of line 5252 which is for Health Maintenance Trust \$\_\_\_\_\_ (see RSA 198:20-c, V)

If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total for the ensuing year.


**\*\*SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES\*\***

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3, VI, as appropriations: 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriations to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trust funds; 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Expenditures for Year 7/1/02 to 6/30/03	Appropriations Current Year As Approved by DRA	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
5251	Bldg Construction Reserve	\$0.00	\$0.00	3	\$100,000.00	
5252	Sp. Ed. Exp. Trust	\$25,000.00	\$15,000.00		\$0.00	
5252	HS Tuition Exp. Trust	\$0.00	\$100,000.00		\$0.00	
SUBTOTAL 2 RECOMMENDED		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXX	\$100,000.00	XXXXXXXXXX

**\*\*INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES\*\***

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". Examples of individual warrant articles might be: 1) Negotiated cost items for labor agreements; 2) Leases; 3) Supplemental appropriations for the current year for which funding is already available; or 4) Deficit appropriations for the current year which must be funded through taxation.

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Expenditures for Year 7/1/___ to 6/30/___	Appropriations Current Year As Approved by DRA	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
	Collective Bargaining Agreement	\$0.00	\$61,400.00		\$0.00	
SUBTOTAL 3 RECOMMENDED		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXX	\$0.00	XXXXXXXXXX

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Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenues Current Year	Estimated Revenues ENSUING FISCAL YEAR
<b>REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
1300-1349	Tuition				
1400-1449	Transportation Fees				
1500-1599	Earnings on Investments		\$3,844.75	\$3,800.00	\$3,000.00
1600-1699	Food Service Sales		\$35,894.41	\$36,000.00	\$36,000.00
1700-1799	Student Activities				
1800-1899	Community Services Activities				
1900-1999	Other Local Sources		\$4,155.75		
<b>REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
3210	School Building Aid		\$43,500.00	\$43,500.00	\$43,500.00
3220	Kindergarten Aid				
3230	Catastrophic Aid				
3240-3249	Vocational Aid				
3250	Adult Education				
3260	Child Nutrition		\$1,374.00	\$800.00	\$800.00
3270	Driver Education				
3290-3299	Other State Sources				
<b>REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4100-4539	Federal Program Grants		\$31,240.95	\$25,064.00	\$25,064.00
4540	Vocational Education				
4550	Adult Education				
4560	Child Nutrition		\$7,474.00	\$8,400.00	\$8,000.00
4570	Disabilities Programs				
4580	Medicaid Distribution		\$1,009.87	\$1,000.00	
4590-4999	Other Federal Sources (except 4810)				
4810	Federal Forest Reserve				
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
5110-5139	Sale of Bonds or Notes				
5221	Transfer from Food Service-Spec.Rev.Fund				
5222	Transfer from Other Special Revenue Funds				
5230	Transfer from Capital Project Funds				
5251	Transfer from Capital Reserve Funds				



MS-26 Budget - School District of Grantham FY 05

1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenues Current Year	ESTIMATED REVENUES ENSUING FISCAL YEAR
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES cont.			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
5252	Transfer from Expendable Trust Funds		\$31,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5253	Transfer from Non-Expendable Trust Funds				
5300-5699	Other Financing Sources				
5140	This Section for Calculation of RAN's (Reimbursement Anticipation Notes) Per RSA 198:20-D for Catastrophic Aid Borrowing RAN, Revenue This FY _____ less RAN, Revenue Last FY _____ =NET RAN				
	Supplemental Appropriation (Contra)		\$0.00		
	Voted From Fund Balance				\$100,000.00
	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$21,682.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Total Estimated Revenue & Credits		\$181,175.73	\$118,564.00	\$216,364.00

**\*\*BUDGET SUMMARY\*\***

	Current Year	Ensuing Year
SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended (from page 2)	\$3,995,564.00	\$3,875,067.00
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 3)	\$115,000.00	\$100,000.00
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 3)	\$61,400.00	\$0.00
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	\$4,171,964.00	\$3,975,067.00
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	\$118,564.00	\$216,364.00
Less: Amount of Cost of Adequate Education (State Tax/Grant)*	\$1,182,399.00	\$1,182,399.00
Estimated Amount of Local Taxes to be Raised For Education	\$2,871,001.00	\$2,576,304.00

\*Note: You will also be required to pay a State Education Tax RSA 76:3 and you may be required to pay an additional excess education tax in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.





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### *INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT*

To the Members of the School Board  
Grantham School District  
Grantham, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Grantham School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2003 as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the School District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The general purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the general fixed assets account group which should be included in order to conform with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. As is the case with most municipal entities in the State of New Hampshire, the Grantham School District has not maintained historical cost records of its fixed assets. The amount that should be recorded in the general fixed assets account group is not known.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the financial statements of the omission described in the preceding paragraph, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Grantham School District as of June 30, 2003, and the results of its operations for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements of the Grantham School District taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund financial statements listed as schedules in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general purpose financial statements of the Grantham School District. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

August 15, 2003

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SCHEDULE A-1  
 GRANTHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT  
 General Fund  
 Statement of Estimated and Actual Revenues  
 For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003

<u>REVENUES</u>	<u>Estimated</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Over Estimate</u>
<u>School District Assessment</u>			
Current Appropriation	\$ 1,877,988	\$ 1,877,988	\$
Deficit Appropriation	<u>117,000</u>	<u>117,000</u>	<u>      </u>
Total School District Assessment	<u>1,994,988</u>	<u>1,994,988</u>	<u>      </u>
<u>Other Local Sources</u>			
Earnings on Investments	1,400	3,845	2,445
Miscellaneous	<u>      </u>	<u>1,074</u>	<u>1,074</u>
Total From Other Local Sources	<u>1,400</u>	<u>4,919</u>	<u>3,519</u>
<u>State Sources</u>			
Adequacy Aid (State Tax)	1,175,987	1,175,987	
School Building Aid	<u>43,500</u>	<u>43,500</u>	<u>      </u>
Total From State Sources	<u>1,219,487</u>	<u>1,219,847</u>	<u>      </u>
<u>Federal Sources</u>			
Medicaid	<u>      </u>	<u>1,010</u>	<u>1,010</u>
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>			
<u>Operating Transfers In</u>			
<u>Interfund Transfers</u>			
<u>Trust Funds</u>			
Expendable	<u>31,000</u>	<u>31,000</u>	<u>      </u>
<u>Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources</u>	<u>3,246,875</u>	<u>\$ 3,251,404</u>	<u>\$ 4,529</u>
<u>Unreserved Fund Balance Used to</u>			
<u>Reduce School District Assessment</u>	<u>21,682</u>		
<u>Total Revenues, Other Financing Sources and Use of Fund Balance</u>	<u>\$ 3,268,557</u>		

SCHEDULE A-2  
 GRANTHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT  
 General Fund  
 Statement of Appropriations, Expenditures and Encumbrances  
 For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003

	<u>Appropriations</u> <u>2002-2003</u>	<u>Expenditures</u> <u>Net of</u> <u>Refunds</u>	<u>Encumbered</u> <u>To</u> <u>2003-2004</u>	<u>(Over)</u> <u>Under</u> <u>Budget</u>
<u>Current</u>				
<u>Instruction</u>				
Regular Programs	\$ 2,254,186	\$ 2,255,636	\$ 1,355	\$ (2,805)
Special Programs	<u>151,738</u>	<u>149,961</u>	<u>          </u>	<u>1,777</u>
Total Instruction	<u>2,405,924</u>	<u>2,405,597</u>	<u>1,355</u>	<u>(1,028)</u>
<u>Support Services</u>				
Student	91,736	72,600		19,136
Instructional Staff	66,325	55,372	3,260	7,693
<u>General Administration</u>				
School Board	20,050	24,624		(4,574)
<u>Executive Administration</u>				
SAU Management Services	124,196	124,955		(759)
School Administration	132,191	138,063		(5,872)
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	121,794	123,050		(1,256)
Student Transportation	88,677	87,507		1,170
Other	<u>          </u>	<u>8,231</u>	<u>          </u>	<u>(8,231)</u>
Total Support Services	<u>644,969</u>	<u>634,402</u>	<u>3,260</u>	<u>7,307</u>
<u>Debt Service</u>				
Principal - Long-Term Debt	145,000	145,000		
Interest - Long-Term Debt	<u>26,709</u>	<u>26,709</u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Total Debt Service	<u>171,709</u>	<u>171,709</u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
<u>Other Financing Uses</u>				
<u>Operating Transfers Out</u>				
<u>Interfund Transfers</u>				
<u>Special Revenue Fund</u>				
Food Service	20,955	2,873		18,082
<u>Trust Funds</u>				
Expendable	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Total Operating Transfers Out	<u>45,955</u>	<u>27,873</u>	<u>          </u>	<u>18,082</u>
<u>Total Appropriations,</u>				
<u>Expenditures and Encumbrances</u>	<u>\$ 3,268,557</u>	<u>\$ 3,239,581</u>	<u>\$ 4,615</u>	<u>\$ 24,361</u>

SCHEDULE A-3  
GRANTHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT  
General Fund

*Statement of Changes in Unreserved - Undesignated Fund Balance  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003*

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<u>Unreserved - Undesignated</u>		
<u>Fund Balance - July 1</u>		\$ 21,682
<u>Deduction</u>		
Unreserved Fund Balance Used to Reduce 2002-2003 School District Assessment		(21,682)
<u>Addition</u>		
<u>2002-2003 Budget Summary</u>		
Revenue Surplus (Schedule A-1)	\$ 4,529	
Unexpended Balance of Appropriations (Schedule A-2)	<u>24,361</u>	
2002-2003 Budget Surplus		<u>28,890</u>
<u>Unreserved - Undesignated</u>		
<u>Fund Balance - June 30</u>		<u>\$ 28,890</u>





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### *INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S COMMUNICATION OF REPORTABLE CONDITIONS AND OTHER MATTERS*

To the Members of the School Board  
Grantham School District  
Grantham, New Hampshire

In planning and performing our audit of the Grantham School District for the year ended June 30, 2003, we considered the School District's internal control structure in order to determine the scope of our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the general purpose financial statements. Our review of these systems was not intended to provide assurance on the internal control structure and should not be relied on for that purpose.

Under the standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control structure that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the School District's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the general purpose financial statements. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities, in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited, may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might constitute reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses as defined above.

We are pleased to report that, during the course of our review of internal controls, no material weaknesses in the School District's accounting systems and records were identified. Minor weaknesses or other considerations coming to our attention were generally procedural in nature and dealt with administrative or recordkeeping practices. In these instances, we made specific recommendations or provided instruction to applicable individuals during the course of our audit fieldwork.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and others within the administration. This restriction is not intended to limit distribution of this report, which is a matter of public record.

August 15, 2003

*Plodzik & Sanderson  
Professional Association*

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# REPORT OF APPROPRIATIONS ACTUALLY VOTED

(RSA 21-J:34 AND 198:4-a)

FISCAL YEAR: 2004SCHOOL DISTRICT: Grantham SAU # 75Mailing Address: PO Box 287Grantham, NH 03753Phone # (603)863-9689 Fax #: (603)863-9684 E-Mail: sau75@sugar-river.net

## CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATIONS VOTED

(To be completed after annual or special meeting)

This is to certify that the information contained in this form, appropriations actually voted by the school district meeting, was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

### SCHOOL BOARD

*Please sign in ink.*Maurice RansomCynthia BerioDodd M. Ph.John Vogt

SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

Piper Pono Salaburn

SUPERINTENDENT

John J. Salaburn

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MS-22 Budget - School District of Grantham FY 04

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3.V)	WARR. ART.#	Total Amount Actually Voted Ensuing Fiscal Year	ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BREAKDOWN	MIDDLE JUNIOR HIGH BREAKDOWN	APPROPRIATIONS HIGH SCHOOL BREAKDOWN
INSTRUCTION (1000-1999)			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
1100-1199	Regular Programs		\$2,604,815.00	\$946,741.00	\$717,500.00	\$940,474.00
1200-1299	Special Programs		\$181,133.00	\$142,633.00	\$0.00	\$38,500.00
1300-1399	Vocational Programs					
1400-1499	Other Programs					
1500-1599	Non-Public Programs					
1600-1899	Adult & Community Programs			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
SUPPORT SERVICES (2000-2999)			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
2000-2199	Student Support Services		\$110,875.00	\$110,875.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2200-2299	Instructional Staff Services		\$76,726.00	\$76,726.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
2310-2400	School Board Contingency			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
2310-2319	Other School Board		\$20,479.00	\$20,479.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
2320-310	SAU Management Services					
2320-2399	All Other Administration		\$128,022.00	\$128,022.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2400-2499	School Administration Service		\$140,011.00	\$140,011.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2500-2599	Business					
2600-2699	Operation & Maintenance of Plant		\$155,655.00	\$155,655.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2700-2799	Student Transportation		\$125,769.00	\$125,769.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2800-2999	Support Service, Central/Other					
3000-3999	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
		\$49,801.00	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
4000-4999	FACILITIES ACQUISITIONS & CONSTRUCTION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
		\$5,000.00	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
OTHER OUTLAYS (5000-5999)			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
5110	Debt Service - Principal		\$145,000.00	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
5120	Debt Service - Interest		\$20,278.00	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
FUND TRANSFERS			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
5220-5221	To Food Service			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
5222-5229	To Other Special Revenue			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
5230-5239	To Capital Projects			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
5251	To Capital Reserve		\$115,000.00	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
5252	To Expendable Trust			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
5253	To Non-Expendable Trusts			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
5254	To Agency Funds			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
5300-5399	Intergovernmental Agency Alloc.			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
	DEFICIT APPROPRIATION		\$117,000.00	\$41,000.00	\$76,000.00	
	SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION					
TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS			\$3,995,564.00	\$1,887,911.00	\$793,600.00	\$978,974.00



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Budget - School District of Grantham FY 04

## REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION	FUNCTION	OBJECT	ELEMENTARY	MIDDLE JR. HIGH	HIGH	TOTAL
Tuition to NH LEAs	All	561	\$0.00	\$717,600.00	\$940,474.00	\$1,658,074.00
Other Tuition	All	562-569	\$1,200.00	\$0.00	\$25,000.00	\$26,200.00
Land and Improvements	All*	710	XXX	XXX	XXX	\$0.00
Buildings	All*	720	XXX	XXX	XXX	\$0.00
Additional Equipment	All*	730	\$24,927.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$24,927.00
Summer School	1430		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

\* includes all functions except 4000

Detail on items to be financed by bonds, notes, and/or withdrawals from capital reserve funds.

Purpose

Amount

\$ INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING  
FORM MS-22

<b>PAGE 1 SIGNATURES</b>	District Clerk: The school district clerk must sign in the space provided as acknowledgment that this report reflects the budget actually voted or approved at the school district meeting. Superintendent: The superintendent must sign in the space provided as acknowledgement that school records are in agreement with this report. School Board: The school board must sign this form to acknowledge the appropriations actually voted at the district meeting.
<b>PAGE 2 APPROPRIATIONS</b>	Report all appropriations, (including special articles and items voted from fund balance), approved by the school district and/or city council in the column entitled "Total Amount Actually Voted Ensuing FY". Distribute the approved line item appropriations in the columns for elementary, junior high, and high school unless their purpose is of a general nature. The column entitled "Warr. Art. #" is for the warrant article number(s) for the ensuing year's budget.
<b>PAGE 3</b>	REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - Please complete this information for the Department of Education's statistical information. Report in accordance with the "New Hampshire Financial Accounting Handbook for Local Education Agencies".
<b>REPORT DISTRIBUTION</b>	Within 20 days after the annual or special meeting(s), send a copy of this report to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below. Send a copy to the Board of Selectmen (RSA 198:4-a) and to the Department of Education, Bureau of Information Services, 101 Pleasant St., Concord, NH 03301-3860.

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# SCHOOL FINANCIAL REPORT

For the Year Ending June 30, 2003

For School District of Grantham, NHSAU # 75**DUE TO THE NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE**

Not Later Than September 1, 2003

"I certify under the pains and penalties of perjury, to the best of my knowledge and belief, that all of the information contained in this document is true, accurate and complete." Per RSA 198:4-d

*Kendall W. Galt*  
School Board Chairperson  
Vice

4 Sep 03  
Date

Superintendent of Schools:

*Adrian P. Johnson*

Date: 8/27/03

**SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS**

Please sign in ink.

*Jan Heyold*

*Cynthia J. Brown*

*Margaret O. Ransom*

*Kendall W. Galt*

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NAME:		MS25 2002-2003				
Type District Name in this cell	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	
TITLES	Fund 10	Fund 21	Fund 22	Fund 30	Fund 70	
BALANCE SHEET						
	GENERAL	FOOD SERVICE	ALL OTHER	CAPITAL PROJECTS	TRUST/AGENCY	
ASSETS						
Current Assets						
1. CASH	35,884.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	68,793.00	
2. INVESTMENTS	0.00	0.00		0.00	955.00	
3. ASSESSMENTS RECEIVABLE						
4. INTERFUND RECEIVABLE	(1,196.00)	683.00	1,879.00	0.00	25,000.00	
5. INTERGOVT REC	0.00	0.00	64.00	0.00	0.00	
6. OTHER RECEIVABLES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
7. BOND PROCEEDS REC				0.00		
8. INVENTORIES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
9. PREPAID EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
10. OTHER CURRENT ASSETS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
11. Total Current Assets lines 1 - 10	34,688.00	683.00	1,943.00	0.00	94,748.00	
LIAB & FUND EQUITY						
Current Liabilities						
12. INTERFUND PAYABLES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	31,000.00	
13. INTERGOVT PAYABLES	0.00	683.00	200.00	0.00	0.00	
14. OTHER PAYABLES	1,183.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	
15. CONTRACTS PAYABLE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
16. BOND AND INTEREST PAY	0.00			0.00		
17. LOANS AND INTEREST PAY	0.00			0.00		
18. ACCRUED EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
19. PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
20. DEFERRED REVENUES	0.00	0.00	1,743.00	0.00		
21. OTHER CURRENT LIAB	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
22. Total Current Liabilities lines 12 - 21	1,183.00	683.00	1,943.00	0.00	31,000.00	
Fund Equity						
23. RES FOR INVENTORIES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
24. RES FOR PREPAID EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
25. RES FOR ENCUMBRANCES	4,615.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
26. RES FOR CONTINUING APPR	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
27. RES FOR AMTS VOTED	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
28. RES FOR ENDOWMENTS						
29. RES FOR SPEC PURP	11,824.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	63,748.00	
30. UNRES FUND BALANCE	17,066.00					
31. Total Fund Equity lines 23-30	33,505.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	63,748.00	
32. TOT LIAB & FUND EQUITY lines 22 & 31	34,688.00	683.00	1,943.00	0.00	94,748.00	

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	GENERAL	FOOD SERVICE	ALL OTHER	CAPITAL PROJECTS	TRUST
<b>REVENUES</b>					
<b>Revenue From Local Sources</b>					
1. Total Assessments	1,994,988.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
2. Tuition from All Sources	0.00		0.00		
3. Transportation Fees from All Sources	0.00		0.00		
4. Earnings on Investments	3,845.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	955.00
5. Food Services Sales		35,793.00			
6. Other Revenue from Local Sources	1,074.00	0.00	257.00	0.00	0.00
<b>7. Total Local Non-Tax Revenue Lines 2-6</b>	<b>4,919.00</b>	<b>35,793.00</b>	<b>257.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>955.00</b>
<b>8. Total Local Revenue Lines 1 &amp; 7</b>	<b>1,999,907.00</b>	<b>35,793.00</b>	<b>257.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>955.00</b>
<b>Revenue from State Sources</b>					
<b>UNRESTRICTED GRANTS-IN-AID</b>					
9. Adequacy Aid (Grant)	0.00				
10. Adequacy Aid (State Tax)	1,175,987.00				
11. Shared Revenue	0.00				
12. Other (Specify)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>13. Total Unrestricted Grants-in-Aid 9-12</b>	<b>1,175,987.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>RESTRICTED GRANTS-IN-AID</b>					
14. School Building Aid	43,500.00			0.00	
15. Kindergarten Building Aid	0.00			0.00	
16. Kindergarten Aid	0.00				
17. Catastrophic Aid	0.00				
18. Vocational Education	0.00		0.00	0.00	
19. All Other Restricted Grants-in Aid	0.00	800.00	710.00	0.00	0.00
<b>20. Total Restricted Grants-in Aid (Lines 14-19)</b>	<b>43,500.00</b>	<b>800.00</b>	<b>710.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
21. Grants-in-Aid Through Other Public Intermediate	0.00	0.00	0.00		
22. Revenue In Lieu of Taxes	0.00		0.00		
23. Revenue For/On Behalf of LEA	0.00		0.00		
<b>24. Total Revenue from State Sources Lines 13, and 20-22</b>	<b>1,219,487.00</b>	<b>800.00</b>	<b>710.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>



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	GENERAL	FOOD SERVICE	ALL OTHER	CAPITAL PROJECTS	TRUST
<b>REVENUES</b>					
Revenue From Federal Sources					
25. Unrestricted Grants-In-Aid	4100-4299	0.00	0.00	0.00	
<b>RESTRICTED GRANTS-IN-AID</b>					
26. Restricted Grants-In-Aid Direct from Fed Gov't	4300-4399	0.00	31,064.00	0.00	
27. Restricted Grants-In-Aid from Fed Gov't thru State	4500-4599	1,010.00	0.00	0.00	
28. Other Revenue for/on Behalf of LEA	4700-4999	0.00	0.00	0.00	
29. Federal Forest Land Distribution	4810	0.00			
30. Total Revenue from Federal Gov't (Lines 25-29)		1,010.00	31,064.00	0.00	
<b>Other Financing Sources</b>					
31. Sale of Bonds and Notes	5100-5139	0.00		0.00	
32. Reimbursement Anticipation Notes	5140	0.00		0.00	
<b>Interfund Transfers</b>					
33. Transfer from General Fund	5210		2,873.00	0.00	25,000.00
34. Transfer from Special Revenue Funds	5220-5229	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
35. Transfer from Capital Projects	5230-5239	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
36. Transfer from Capital Reserve Funds	5251	0.00	0.00	0.00	
37. Transfer from Trust Funds	5252-5253	31,000.00	0.00	0.00	
38. Compensation for Loss of Fixed Assets	5300-5399	0.00	0.00	0.00	
39. Capital Lease/Lease Purchases	5500-5500	0.00	0.00	0.00	
40. Total Other Financing Sources (Lines 31-39)		31,000.00	2,873.00	0.00	25,000.00
41. Total Revenue & Other Financing Sources (Lines 8,24,30,40)		3,251,404.00	51,250.00	32,031.00	25,955.00



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	GENERAL	FOOD SERVICE	SPECIAL REVENUE	CAPITAL PROJECTS	TRUST/AGENCY
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>					
Instruction					
1. Regular Programs	1100-1199		0.00		
2. Special Programs	1200-1299		8,064.00		
3. Vocational Programs	1300-1399		0.00		
4. Other Instructional Programs	1400-1499		0.00		
5. Non-Public Programs	1500-1599		0.00		
6. Adult & Community Programs	1600-1899		0.00		
7. Total Instructional Expenditures (Lines 1-6)	2,402,085.00	0.00	8,064.00	0.00	0.00
Support Services					
8. Student Services	2100-2199				
9. Instructional Staff	2200-2299		23,000.00		
10. General Administration - SAU Level	2300-2399		0.00		
11. School Administration	2400-2499		710.00		
12. Business	2500-2599		0.00		
13. Operation/Maintenance of Plant	2600-2699		257.00		
14. Student Transportation	2700-2799		0.00		
15. Centralized Services	2800-2899		0.00		
16. Other Support Services	2900-2999		0.00		
17. Food Service Operation	3100-3199	51,250.00			
18. Total Support Services (Lines 8-17)	637,914.00	51,250.00	23,967.00	0.00	0.00
Other Outlays					
19. Facility Acquisition & Construction	4000-4999		0.00	0.00	
20. Debt Service - Principal	5110	145,000.00	0.00		
21. Debt Service - Interest	5120	26,709.00	0.00		
Other Financing Uses					
22. Transfer to General Fund	5210		0.00	0.00	31,000.00
23. Transfer to Food Service (Special Revenue) Funds	5220-5221	2,873.00	0.00		
24. Transfers to All Other Special Revenue Funds	5222-5229	0.00			
25. Transfer to Capital Projects Funds	5230-5239	0.00	0.00		
26. Transfer to Capital Reserves	5251	0.00			
27. Transfer to Expendable Trust Funds	5252	25,955.00			
28. Transfer to Nonexpendable Trust Funds	5253	0.00			
29. Transfer to Agency Fund	5254	(955.00)			
30. Allocation to Charter Schools	5310	0.00	0.00		
31. Allocation to Other Agencies	5390	0.00	0.00		
32. Total Other Outlays and Financing Uses (Lines 19-31)	199,582.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	31,000.00
33. Total Expenditures for All Purposes (Lines, 7, 18 & 32)	3,239,581.00	51,250.00	32,031.00	0.00	31,000.00

<b>GENERAL FUND FIXED ASSET GROUP</b>					
<b>OF ACCOUNTS (FUND80)</b>		<b>BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>		<b>END OF YEAR</b>	
	As of June 30, 20__	Debit	Credit	Debit	Credit
1. SITES	210	0.00	.....	0.00	.....
2. SITE IMPROVEMENTS	220	0.00	.....	0.00	.....
3. BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS	230	0.00	.....	0.00	.....
4. MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT	240	0.00	.....	0.00	.....
5. CONSTRUCTION IN PROGRESS	250	0.00	.....	0.00	.....
6. INVESTMENT IN GENERAL FIXED ASSETS	710	.....	0.00	.....	(0.00)
<b>7. TOTAL</b>		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>GENERAL FUND LONG TERM DEBT</b>					
<b>GROUP OF ACCOUNTS (Fund 90)</b>		<b>BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>		<b>END OF YEAR</b>	
	As of June 30, 20__	Debit	Credit	Debit	Credit
1. BONDS PROCEEDS NOT USED		.....	.....	.....	.....
2. AMOUNT PROVIDED FOR RETIREMENT OF LONG-TERM	304	.....	.....	.....	.....
3. NOTES AND BONDS PAYABLE LONG-TERM	511-521	.....	.....	.....	.....
4. OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES	531-590	.....	.....	.....	.....
<b>5. TOTAL</b>		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>AMORTIZATION OF LONG TERM DEBT</b>					
For the Fiscal Year Ending on June 30th					
<b>REPORT IN WHOLE DOLLARS</b>					
Length of Debt (yrs)	DEBT 1 5	DEBT 2 0	DEBT 3 0	DEBT 4 0	TOTAL .....  0
Date of Issue (mm/yyyy)	8/01	0	0	0	0
Date of Final Payment(mm/yyyy)	8/06	0	0	0	0
Original Debt Amount	720,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest Rate	4.13	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Principal at Beginning of Yr	72,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
New Issues This Year	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Retired Issues This Yr	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Remaining Principal Bal Due	575,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Remaining Interest Bal Due	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Remaining Debt(P&I) Bal Due	575,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Amount of Prin to be Paid Next Fisc. Yr	145,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Amount of Interest to be Paid Next Fisc Yr.	20,728.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Debt (P&I) to be Paid Next Fisc. Yr	165,728.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
					72000.00
					0.00
					0.00
					0.00
					575000.00
					0.00
					0.00
					575000.00
					145000.00
					20728.00
					165728.00

## BIRTHS

### RESIDENT BIRTH REPORT, TOWN OF GRANTHAM, JANUARY 1, 2003 - DECEMBER 31, 2003

DATE of BIRTH	NAME of CHILD	NAME of FATHER	NAME of MOTHER	PLACE of BIRTH
January 25	Kelley, Lauren Kathryn	Kelley, William	Kelley, Krystina	Lebanon
January 26	Grant, James Morris	Grant, Edward	Grant, Wendi	Lebanon
February 4	McGrath, Liam David	McGrath, William	McGrath, Liana	Lebanon
March 2	Petty, William Bruce	Petty, William	Petty, Katheryne	Lebanon
March 18	Wesner, Madelyn Elizabeth	Wesner, Jeffrey	Wesner, Halisaba	Lebanon
March 29	Nagy, Kathryn Elizabeth	Nagy, Thomas	Nagy, Debra	Lebanon
April 10	Kamireddi, Maya Sankari	Kamireddi, Seshareddy	Kamireddi, Madhavi	Lebanon
April 16	Kim, Benjamin Robert	Kim, Bernard	Kim, Patricia	Lebanon
April 29	Bigatel, Justin Ray	Bigatel, Todd	Bigatel, Heather	Lebanon
May 1	Hanks, Samuel Farr	Hanks, Roger	Hanks, Laurie	Littleton
June 16	Buescher, Ryan John	Buescher, Alfred	Buescher, Lisa	Lebanon
June 21	Palamara, Dominic Cable	Palamara, Joseph	Palamara, Jennifer	Lebanon
July 8	Cranage, Emma Louise	Cranage, Robert	Cranage, Amy	Lebanon
September 1	Wilson, Abigail Ilona	Wilson, William	Wilson, Ilona	Lebanon
September 10	Schwaab, Sofia Barbara	Schwaab, Thomas	Schwaab, Patricia	Lebanon
September 11	Gaudette, Gunnar Davis	Gaudette, Raymond	Gaudette, Charlene	Lebanon
September 13	Dann, Gretchen Elizabeth	Dann, Luke	Dann, Elizabeth	Lebanon
October 7	Gromacki, Brady Christopher	Gromacki, Terry	Barnhardt, Cassie	Lebanon
November 2	Bonenfant, Alexa Beth	Bonenfant, Jeffrey	Bonenfant, Heidi	Lebanon
November 4	Miller, Stephen Gregory	Miller, Stephen	Miller, Kristin	Lebanon
November 12	Sheehan, Ryan Samuel	Sheehan, Thomas	Sheehan, Anne	Lebanon
November 21	Sherman, Max Joseph	Sherman, Jonathan	Sherman, Joanne	Lebanon
December 6	Leute, Emma Genevieve	Leute, Richard	Leute, Kimberly	Lebanon
December 29	Moeykens, Caitlin Ann	Moeykens, Shane	Moeykens, Carolyn	Lebanon

I certify that the foregoing returns are correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

*Rita Eigenbrode, Town Clerk*





## DEATHS

## RESIDENT DEATH REPORT, TOWN OF GRANTHAM JANUARY 1, 2003 - DECEMBER 31, 2003

DATE of DEATH	NAME & SURNAME of DECEASED	PLACE of DEATH	NAME of FATHER	NAME of MOTHER
January 4	Houle, Beth G.	Merrimack	Goldsmith, Harold	Martin, Julia
January 5	Owen, James M.	Lebanon	Owen, Robert	Hoover, Ethel
January 30	Donnelly, Joseph R.	Concord	Donnelly, Joseph	Daudlin, Jeanne
February 21	Swensen, Gladys E.	Lebanon	Hanson, Robert	Murray, Gladys
May 21	Bryniarski, Albert F.	New London	Bryniarski, Albert	McDonnell, Katherine
June 8	Thompson, George H.	Newport	Thompson, James	Steele, Sarah
July 25	Barron, Steven E.	Grantham	Barron, Frank	Dubrowsky, Rose
August 15	Sabo, James	Lebanon	Sabo, John	Ekes, Rose
September 4	Rosa, Barry A.	Lebanon	Rosa, Joseph	Delellis, Dunay
September 9	Goldsworthy, Walter T.	Newport	Goldsworthy, Thomas	Krausse, Elise
November 7	Sims, Florence M.	Concord	McCrossin, Edward	Rogers, Helen

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## MARRIAGES

### RESIDENT MARRIAGE REPORT, TOWN OF GRANTHAM, JANUARY 1, 2003 - DECEMBER 31, 2003

DATE	GROOM'S NAME	RESIDENCE	BRIDE'S NAME	RESIDENCE
March 14	Justin B. Putnam	Topsham VT	Lisa E. Aher	Grantham
May 3	William A. Hancock	Sunapee	Saira L. Watts	Grantham
May 31	Matthew E. Emerson	Grantham	Courtney M. Davidson	Grantham
June 7	Patrick R. O'Bryan	Grantham	Marie H. Hunter	Grantham
June 14	Scott T. Crowley	Grantham	Marlene J. Evans	Canaan
June 14	Bradley J. Swan	Grantham	Christine A. Kretowicz	Grantham
July 5	Gerald R. Spiller	Grantham	Kelly R. Parker	Grantham
August 8	Matthew R. Smith, Sr.	Grantham	Jessica M. Tuttle	Grantham
September 13	Tyson C. Wehrman	Grantham	Allison L. Roberts	Grantham
September 13	Timothy L. Crawford	Grantham	Thea R. Varley	Grantham
September 20	Derek M. Richardson	Grantham	Tracey A. Barlow	Grantham
September 27	Tristan L. Gilson	Grantham	Janet M. Barton	Newport
October 23	Barry T. Aher	Grantham	Pearl A. Grant	Grantham

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Photo by Ella Reney

Dennis & Connie Howard Celebrate Their  
50th Wedding Anniversary





GRANTHAM TOWN MEETING

TUESDAY ☞ MARCH 9, 2004

10:00 A.M.

GVS GYMNASIUM  
75 LEARNING DRIVE

POLLS OPEN 10:00 A.M.—7:00 P.M.

GRANTHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

TUESDAY ☞ MARCH 16, 2004

7:00 P.M.

GVS GYMNASIUM  
75 LEARNING DRIVE